Daniel Penner

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EDUCATION

Stanford University, M.S. Statistics and Data Science

Expected 2016

Current GPA: 3.88

Coursework

- Math: Numerical Linear Algebra, Convex Optimization, Discrete Mathematics, Stochastic Processes
- Statistics: Statistical Modeling, Experimental Design, Methods in Supervised Learning, Data Mining
- CS: Programming Abstractions, Computer Systems, Distributed Computing

Princeton University, A.B. Mathematics

June 2014

Departmental GPA: 3.78, Overall GPA: 3.68

Thesis: "The Frobenius-Schur Indicator and the Finite Rotation Groups" (Advisor: Nicolas Templier)

Sample Coursework: Theory of Algorithms, Real and Complex Analysis, Abstract Algebra

EXPERIENCE

Research & Development Intern

6/2015-12/2015

Shazam (www.shazam.com), Redwood City, CA

- Developed and tested an original extension to the main recognition algorithm
- Designed and ran tests to show that the extension would dramatically reduce computational costs

Executive Committee Member

2/2014-Present

Komatsu Summer School (www.komatsu-ss.org), Komatsu, Japan

Recruit and train US college students to teach liberal arts seminars to Japanese high school students

Operations Intern Summer 2013

Fitwall (www.fitwall.com), San Diego, CA

- Wrote employee handbook in correspondence with CEO, and company handbook for franchising
- Assisted CTO in planning how to best interpret and utilize of collected customer fitness data

Summer Mathematics Researcher

Summer 2012

Princeton University, Mathematics Department, Princeton, NJ

Wrote an expository paper on recent results in percolation theory, assisted by Dr. Michael Damron

Vocalist/Guitarist 2010-2013

The Divergence (www.divergencemusic.com), Princeton, NJ

• Led band, composed original music, organized tours, and recorded No Words EP

SKILLS AND HOBBIES

Programming Languages: Python (NumPy/SciPy, scikit-learn), C++, C, LaTeX, R

Languages: (native) English; (working proficiency) Japanese, Spanish; (elementary) German, Portuguese

Hobbies: writing, recording, and performing music, travel, foreign languages, cooking, fitness

RELEVANT PROJECTS

Japanese-to-English Machine Translation with RNNs, Stanford, CA

Spring 2015

• Successfully trained RNN Encoder-Decoder to translate Japanese phrases from a toy corpus

Machine learning model to predict movie revenues, Princeton, NJ

Spring 2014

Adapted regression and classification techniques in an original time-sensitive testing scheme