Felix Zhu

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Education

• University of Toronto

Toronto, ON

Honours B.Sc. Computer Science & Statistics (3.83/4.00 GPA)

2013 - 2018 (expected)

- Dean's Honour List, President's Entrance Scholarship, Trinity College Entrance Scholarship
- CS Masters exchange student at ETH Zurich for 2015-2016 school year with scholarship
- Coursework: Machine Learning, Information Retrieval, Data Mining, Software Design (see LinkedIn)

Work Experience

• Scotiabank Toronto, ON

Data Scientist Intern, Decision Sciences

Summer 2015

- Rewrote SAS algorithm in Python, reducing average runtime from 3h 45 min to 67 seconds.
- Wrote an algorithm for shallow parsing of SWIFT network messages, achieving an accuracy of 95.9%.
- Rewrote algorithm which normalizes input strings, improving accuracy from roughly 50% to 95.7%.
- Visualized data with d3.js and communicated results to both technical and non technical audiences.

• Semesterly www.semester.ly

Software Engineer

2014 – Present

- Wrote core backend algorithm, reducing runtime by half compared to recursive solution.
- Implemented scoring algorithm to rank timetables based on user preferences.
- Reverse engineered Apple iCal's algorithm for showing schedules with conflicts.
- Generalized code to allow for easy extensions to other universities (now in production for JHU).

Projects and Activites

• UofT Robotics Autonomous Rover Team

Fall 2014

- Led algorithm research on path planning team.
- Improved runtime by 50% while maintaining overall path optimality compared to A*, using AD*
- Collaborated with 30 engineers (3 teams) over 4 months for the Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition

• Uniuni - Student Life Search Engine

Fall 2014

- Reduced searching to a single click by showing results dynamically and adding search suggestions
- Refactored code to fit MVC principles and increased code quality
- Enabled sharing on social networks by linking the users' Facebook accounts using the Facebook API

Skills

Languages: Python, C++, JavaScript, Haskell, Prolog, Java

Libraries/Packages: Pandas, Scikitlearn, React.js, Django, D3.js

Open Source Contributions: Parserator Other: Git, HTML/CSS, PostGresQL, LATEX

Languages (Human): English, French, Mandarin, German