Figali Taho

Curriculum Vitae

Experience

- May 2018 Google Software Engineering Intern, Google Inc., Zürich, Switzerland
- to Aug 2018 Reporting data store for internal tool. Backend, Java frameworks, Spanner, Dart for interface.
 - July 2017 Summer Research Fellow, ETH Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland
- to Aug 2017 Distributed training of RNNs using Tensorflow for clinical data prediction tasks.
 - Jan 2017 **Software Engineering Intern**, Kuartis, Ankara, Turkey
- to Apr 2017 Completed Webpage Classification for removal of unnecessary sites from copyright detection pipeline.
 - Jun 2016 Software Trainee Engineering Practicum Intern, Google Inc., Zürich, Switzerland
- to Sep 2016 Developed a pipeline for sending emails to users; used MapReduce, BigTable, HTML.

Education

- Sep 2018 Bioinformatics, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- to present Technical elective courses: Machine Learning and Data Mining
- Apr 2017 Erasmus Program Student, Saarland University, Germany
- to Aug 2017 Technical elective courses: Al, Image Compression, Algorithms for Sequence Analysis
 - Aug 2014 B.S. Degree, Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey
- to Jun 2018 CGPA: 3.66/4.00
 - 2010-2014 High School Diploma, Mehmet Akif College, Tirana, Albania

Excellent Scholar of Republic of Albania; 3rd in National Biology Olympiad.

Technical skills

- Good grounds in Data Structures and Algorithms. Strong problem solving skills.
- Good understanding of MapReduce using FlumeJava; experience with LSF cluster and batch job systems.
- Experience with Machine Learning frameworks Tensorflow and Mxnet and library Scikit-learn, good understanding of various ML techniques.
- Able to develop Android apps; experience in web programming using django framework for personal project.
- Knowledge of MIPS microprocessor, MIPS Assembly and Verilog HDL development for computer organization and design courses.
- Programming languages: Python, C++, C, Java.

Languages Native: Albanian, Greek Excellent: English, Turkish Good understanding: Italian, German, Spanish

Societies Bilkent IEEE Computer Society Chapter Vice Chair and teacher of Bilkent IEEE Android course for beginners. Very good teaching and presentation skills.

Projects

- Diafano: Android and web app for people-driven news reporting, using of state-of-the-art data science algorithms and platforms for live video broadcasting and streaming.
- Lauzhack 2.0 Credit Suisse Algorithm Challenge winner. Implementation of algorithms for various frauds' detection in large financial data graph.
- Google CodeU program: Program for selected EMEA CS students. It involved regular code reviews of weekly algorithm challenges, and learning industry's top testing and debugging practices.
- Recommender systems: Movie recommender.
 - Python implementation of item-item weighted sum and weighted sum with baseline CF algorithms for movie recommendation system. MovieLens 100k, 1m and 10m datasets were used.
- "Bilkent.Live" An Android campus application developed for programming course.
 Worked on Android UI, and backend communication/parsing for information.