Galen Scovell

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Skills

LANGUAGES

Java (Proficient)
Python (Proficient)
JavaScript (Proficient)
HTML/CSS (Proficient)
Scala (Familiar)

FOCUS AREAS

Software Development
Web Development
Game Development
Natural Language Processing
Machine Learning
Web Services

TOOLKIT

Amazon Web Services
Git & Mercurial
ElasticSearch
Docker
Redis
Linux
LibGDX

SOFT

Quick Learner
Passionate
Collaborative
Generalist
Autodidact

Education B.Sc (2011 - 2015) University of Oregon Biology, GPA 3.5 / 4.0

Work Experience

Data Science Engineer • Seattle • WAPayScale, Inc.

Sept 2015 - Present

- Created compensation model metric by generating kernel density estimations of percentiles for both model predictions and actual customer profiles, comparing them through Monte Carlo sampling and Jaccard similarity (Python: Sklearn, Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib)
- Created NLP data analysis pipeline for inferring topics and skills from job description files of varying formats (ElasticSearch, Mallet, Redis, Python: Numpy, Pandas, Sklearn, Boto, NLTK, Flask)
- Handled deployment, operation, and automation of numerous interconnected web services for data analysis pipeline (Docker, AWS: EC2, S3, Lambda)
- Constructed web scrapers for pulling job listings and resumes, efficiently outputting cleaned, relevant data in JSON or TSV (Python: Scrapy, BeautifulSoup)

Software Engineer Intern, Data Sciences • Seattle • WA *July 2015 - Sept 2015 PayScale, Inc.*

- Sole developer of a dynamic drag-and-drop web app for matching job description files with PayScale internal job titles (JavaScript, HTML, CSS, AWS S3)
- This app is used as a primary tool during the customer onboarding processing, forming an integral part of the data analysis pipeline

Bioinformatics Research Assistant • Eugene • OR *University of Oregon Institute of Neuroscience*

Jan 2015 - Apr 2015

• Designed and created a GUI data parser in Python analyzing the Cuttlefish transcriptome with an elegant interface, efficient search and graph/chart output (Python: Tkinter, Pandas, Matplotlib)

Projects

Cartographer • github.com/galenscovell/Cartographer-Scala

• Generates perfect mazes using spanning trees and Prim's algorithm (Scala)

Flicker • github.com/galenscovell/Flicker

- Dungeon crawling RPG for Android using custom game engine (Java, LibGDX)
- Utilizes cellular automata, binary space partitioning, bitmask sprite skinning, and JSON deserialization for procedurally generated levels, entities and items

Pathfinder • github.com/galenscovell/Pathfinder

• GUI comparing runtime and path output of A* pathfinder with various heuristics and customizable obstacles/endpoints (Java)

QuadTreeCollision • github.com/galenscovell/QuadTreeCollision

Interactive demonstration of highly performant collision detection via quadtrees (Java)