Galen Scovell

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Skills

LANGUAGES

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

FOCUS AREAS

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

TOOLKIT

Amazon Web Services
Git/Mercurial
ElasticSearch
Docker
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 • WA

Sept 2015 - Present

PayScale, Inc.

- Led update and release of PayScale's core compensation model ("The Model") for two quarters
- Deconstructed the Model, providing inline/external documentation and structure diagrams of dense legacy code (C#)
- Compressed the Model's complex update and testing processes into automated scripts
- Created NLP feature extraction pipeline for inferring topics and skills from uploaded job description files of varying formats (Python, JavaScript, AWS)
- Handled deployment and maintenance of numerous interconnected web services for JD feature extraction pipeline (Linux, AWS, Docker, ElasticSearch)
- Acquired data from dynamic web sources via construction of varied web scrapers
 (Python)

Software Engineer Intern, Data Sciences • Seattle • WAJuly 2015 - Sept 2015 PayScale, Inc.

 Sole developer of a production .NET web app for matching job description files with customer internal job titles. Serves as a primary tool during the customer onboarding process, decreasing onboarding time and forming an integral part of the data analysis pipeline with organized backend storage on AWS (JavaScript, C#, HTML/CSS, AWS)

Bioinformatics Research Assistant • Eugene • ORUniversity of Oregon Institute of Neuroscience

Jan 2015 - Apr 2015

• Developed interactive GUI data parser analyzing the Cuttlefish transcriptome with searching and visualization generation (*Python*)

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)