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Data Scientist

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Work Experience

Research Assistant

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

📅 August 2018 - August 2021

📍 Chapel Hill, North Carolina

- Applied **state-of-the-art machine learning and NLP techniques** to acquire data insights and establish baselines.
- Used **web scraping and crowdsourcing tools** to collect and label new multi-modal datasets.
- Worked **remotely and independently** on open-ended problems without clear solutions.

NLP Research Intern

Tencent AI Lab (US)

📅 Summer 2020

📍 Seattle, Washington

- **Remotely worked with a team of researchers** on using dialogue generation to improve conversational QA.
- Quickly adapted and contributed to these previously unfamiliar domains using generative language techniques and the Transformers library.

Applied ML Fellow/Student Research Scientist

Los Alamos National Laboratory

📅 Summer 2017 and 2018

📍 Los Alamos, New Mexico

- Learned an unfamiliar framework, Petavision, to develop a biologically plausible multimodal generative autoencoder (publication at CVPR 2018).
- Took part in a summer lecture series covering various machine learning techniques and exposing students to interesting application areas in the lab.

Junior Java Developer

TS Partners Inc.

📅 June 2013 - June 2017

📍 King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

- Ported code from a Delphi-based shareholder accounting system to a Java application and helped further develop this system as it was deployed.
- Worked as part of a development team, collaborating with other programmers and coordinating application deployment.
- Used **Oracle SQL** to maintain shareholder records and provide automatically generated reports to customers.

Education

Masters of Science in Computer Science

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

📅 August 2018 - May 2021

📍 Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Bachelors of Science in Computer Science

Villanova University

📅 August 2014 - May 2018

📍 Villanova, Pennsylvania

GPA: 3.77

Summary

Masters graduate seeking full-time remote employment, starting in mid-August, as a machine learning engineer/data scientist.

Areas of Expertise

- Machine Learning
- Natural Language Processing
- Software Engineering
- Data Collection and Visualization

Technical Skills

- Python (PyTorch, Keras, NumPy, Pandas, SciKit-Learn, Matplotlib, Beautiful Soup, NLTK, Spacy, OpenCV, Transformers)
- Unix Systems
- Java
- Git
- SQL (Oracle)
- Amazon Mechanical Turk

Awards

- National Science Foundation GRFP Fellowship (15% acceptance)
- Applied Machine Learning Summer Research Fellowship (10% acceptance)
- Villanova Center for Research and Fellowships Research and Travel Grant

Papers/Projects

- Improving Generation and Evaluation of Visual Stories via Semantic Consistency (NAACL 2021)
- ManyModalQA: Modality Disambiguation and QA over Diverse Inputs (AAAI 2020)
- Deep Sparse Coding for Invariant Halle Berry Neurons (CVPR 2018)
- Emojis and Weather (CCSCNE 2018)
- Learning the McGurk Effect from Raw Input (Senior Project 2018)