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## Experience

### Two Sigma Software Engineering Intern — New York, NY

May - Aug 2022

- Assessed streaming capabilities of Apache Arrow execution nodes by creating data generation utilities and designing performance and memory benchmarks in **C++** with the **Open Source** community.
- Achieved constant memory footprint for multi-threaded table join nodes using bounded queues.

### Arcesium Software Engineering Intern — New York, NY

Jul - Sep 2021

- Developed a distributed event ingestion system with **Typescript**, **Kafka**, **PostgreSQL**, and **NodeJS**.
- Increased horizontal scalability of system by introducing load balancing, containerization, and auto-scaling logic.
- Allowed developers to interface with system metrics and configurations through a **React** frontend.

### TikTok Applied Machine Learning Intern — Remote

Apr - Jul 2021

- Enhanced fault tolerance and scalability of job coordinating machines by implementing save/restore and load balancing mechanisms using **HDFS**, **Flask**, and **Python**.
- Led research and benchmarking on Locality-Sensitive Hashing training for dense neural networks in **C++**.
- Productionized the Group Follow-The-Regularized-Leader Optimizer in AVX and **Tensorflow**.

### Minimap Part-Time Software Engineer — New York, NY

Nov 2020 - Present

- Created M.V.P. **Swift** iOS app and **GCP** backend in **Typescript** for launch with three engineers.
- Led the development of an event-based recommendation system in **Python** with **Kubeflow** and **Docker**.

### Bloomberg L.P Software Engineering Intern — Remote

Jun - Aug 2020

- Increased developer visibility by creating tool to aggregate issue metrics and metadata across internal databases using **Jupyter/Python**.
- Automated the issue triaging process by prioritizing and grouping issues with time-series analysis and graph theory.

### Bloomberg L.P Software Engineering Intern — Princeton, NJ

Jul - Aug 2019

- Discovered political trends and improved baseline accuracies by 31% by training a CNN with GloVe word embeddings to classify partisanship from state legislation using **Python** and **Keras**.
- Created interactive frontend to explore clusters of legislation by partisanship using ThreeJS and T-SNE algorithms.

### Bloomberg L.P Software Engineering Intern — Princeton, NJ

Jul - Aug 2018

- Increased user flexibility and visibility by creating online IDE with **React** and **NodeJS**, allowing for design and execution of custom web-crawling schemes with real-time feedback from backend processes through **Kafka**.

## Education

### Columbia University, School of Engineering and Applied Science (GPA:3.9)

Graduating May 2023

*B.S in Computer Science, Minor in Applied Math*

*Activities: Columbia Quant Group Research Board, Columbia ICPC, Application Development Initiative, AI @ Columbia*

## Skills

**Languages:** Python, C++, TypeScript/JS, Java, Swift

**Technologies:** PostgreSQL, Docker, Kafka, Kubeflow, PyTorch, Node, Flask, iOS, React

## Projects

### GradeCheck ([App Store](#)) — Princeton, NJ

Feb 2016 - Jun 2019

- Accrued 2.4k users by designing, productionizing, and marketing an app for the Montgomery H.S. gradebook system.
- Developed APIs, native **iOS/Android** frontend, and **NodeJS** and **MongoDB** backend from scratch.

## Awards

**Competitive Programming C++/Python - USACO Gold, Top 1500 Google Kickstart**

2019-2021

**Hackathon Winner at Hack the North, PennApps, MHacks, and HackPrinceton ([Projects](#))**

2017-2021

**WWDC 17 & 19 Scholarship**

Jun 2017/2019

- One of the 300 scholars selected to attend the Worldwide Developers Conference by Apple.