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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Toronto, ON

AI Specialist · Computer Science, Math, Stats · cGPA:3.92/4 (90%)

Sep 2017 — Jun 2022

Machine Learning (Graduate-Level) · Algorithms & Data Structures (Advanced) ·

C & Systems Programming · Vector Calculus on Manifolds · Mathematical Probability

EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Researcher · Python · JAX

Toronto, ON

Vector Institute for AI · Supervisor: David Duvenaud

Sep 2019 — Present

• Improving efficiency of Neural Ordinary Differential Equations (Neural ODEs).

Autonomy Engineer · Python

Toronto, ON

aUToronto Self-Driving Car Team

Sep 2019 — Present

• Adapting state-of-the-art deep learning research (SqueezeDet, YOLO) to detect traffic lights and road signs for Level 3 autonomous navigation as part of SAE Autodrive Challenge.

Computational Biology Researcher $\cdot R \cdot Bash \cdot MATLAB$

Toronto, ON

Princess Margaret Cancer Research · Supervisor: Benjamin Haibe-Kains

Apr 2019 — Sep 2019

- Developed R package for benchmarking machine learning methods for inferring sample-specific gene regulatory networks from single-cell RNA sequencing (scRNA-Seq) data.
- Trained elastic net regularized regression with pathway-based feature selection to infer drug response of cell lines from gene expression for patients with acute myeloid leukemia (AML).

Computer Vision Software Developer · SPEL+ (internal C++ wrapper)

Markham, ON

Epson Research and Development Lab

May 2018 — Aug 2018

- Optimized motored stage movements and performed image capture and evaluation asynchronously, supporting researchers by improving speed of data collection by 58%.
- Designed and implemented anchor point based motor-camera calibration method for comparison of 2D object detection and pose estimation algorithm performance on a wide-range of objects.

Android Developer · Java · Android SDK · Estimote API

Toronto, ON

Cossette Health Lab

Jul 2016 — Aug 2016

• Led two team members in reducing noise in bluetooth beacon signal to improve localization and pathfinding algorithms for indoor navigation system for SickKids Hospital.

Projects

Machine Learning for Health \cdot PostgreSQL \cdot Python \cdot pandas \cdot scikit-learn \cdot Keras \cdot NLTK \cdot gensim

- Queried Postgres database and summarized data from over 50,000 admissions of nearly 40,000 patients to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.
- Predicted mortality and hypertension from clinical notes and vital signs data using logistic regression and recurrent neural network (RNN) machine learning models.

Genomic Sequencing $\cdot C++ \cdot Make \cdot Bash$

github.com/jacobjinkelly/sequencing

• Implemented Boyer-Moore for genomic sequence alignment with linear time construction of indexes using Z algorithm, achieving 3.5x speedup over naive algorithm.

Awards

Dorothy Helen McRobb Scholarship	2019
David L. Squires Foundation Scholarship	2019
Margaret Ronald & Thomas Paxton Taylor Scholarship in Mathematics	2019
Undergraduate Student Research Award, NSERC Canada (declined)	2019
Distinction (Top 15%), Euclid National Mathematics Contest, UWaterloo	2017
1st Place, ECOO Central Ontario Programming Contest	2017

SKILLS

Languages & Frameworks: Python \cdot C/C++ \cdot R \cdot Java \cdot PyTorch \cdot JAX \cdot TensorFlow \cdot NumPy

Interests

Extracurricular Miscellaneous 3Blue1Brown · Nerdwriter · Ted Chiang · Westworld · Rock Climbing · Running