JAMES CHOI

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EDUCATION:

Queen's University - Bachelor of Computing - Software Design Specialization

April 2027

- Coursework: Data Structures, Algorithms, Machine Learning, Software Architecture, Operating Systems
- GPA: 3.7

EXPERIENCE:

Data Engineer Intern

May 2025 - present

Scotiabank

Toronto, ON

- Developed and maintained 15+ dbt models in BigQuery to transform and enrich 50M+ financial transaction records from multiple sources, improving data accessibility and reducing reporting latency by 40%.
- Fixed and optimized dbt models in BigQuery by debugging transformation logic and validating outputs with SQL queries, resolving 90% of reported data issues and increasing data test pass rates to 95%.
- Designed and optimized ETL workflows on GCS + BigQuery, leveraging PySpark on Dataproc to process 500GB+ of raw financial data daily, reducing query costs by 25% and cutting pipeline runtimes by 40%.

Software Engineer Intern FGF Brands

May 2023 - April 2024

Toronto, ON

- Architected and implemented scalable Python- and SQL-based backend microservices using Azure Logic Apps, Azure Functions and Cosmos DB to ingest, parse, and normalize master-data feeds (JSON, XML, EDI) from 20+ EDI partners, 10+ direct API customers, and 5+ 3PL partners, processing over 1500+ records daily and reducing downstream data errors by 30%.
- Engineered data-transformation pipelines in C# (.NET) and XSLT, producing 20+ EDI/XML mappings, complete with unit tests and CI/CD via Azure DevOps.

Machine Learning Engineer Intern

June 2021 - October 2021

Toronto, ON

- Developed and deployed **LSTM-, CNN-, and GAN-based anomaly-detection models** for KT Corporation using Python/TensorFlow, and ML algorithms: **XGBoost**, **LightGBM**, **CatBoost**, achieving **95% test accuracy**.
- Developed Python scripts for data preprocessing—cleaning and normalizing ~50K records for testing and creating feature routines to improve data quality by 25% and speed up model training.

PROJECTS:

ZeroOne AI

DataDream | React JS, Python, AWS (Bedrock, Lambda, S3, DynamoDB), Streamlit

May 2025 - Jul 2025

- Built an AI-powered synthetic data platform for the GenAI Hackathon by Impetus & AWS using React, FastAPI, and AWS services, achieving 85% data quality similarity and processing 500+ records per minute.
- Architected a serverless data generation system using AWS Lambda, S3, and DynamoDB, implementing real-time quality monitoring with 88% correlation maintenance and integrating AWS Bedrock for AI-powered synthetic data generation.
 WageWise | React, Flask, Scikit-learn, XGBoost, SQLite, Tailwind
- Developed a full-stack web application for real-time salary prediction using Linear Regression, Random Forest, and XGBoost models, implementing feature engineering and model evaluation techniques to enhance prediction reliability.
- Built an interactive analytics dashboard with React, Chart.js, and Tailwind to visualize salary trends and model comparisons, integrating a Flask REST API and SQLite database for efficient data management and real-time inference.

ACHIEVEMENTS/CERTIFICATES

AWS Certified: Cloud Practitioner (CLF-C02)

July 2025

AWS Certified: Solutions Architect (SAA-C03)

In Progress

SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, C#, SQL, YAML, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, TypeScript

Frameworks & Platforms: Azure: Logic Apps, Data Factory, Functions, BizTalk, Apache Airflow, Docker, dbt, GCP: Google Cloud Storage, BigQuery, Cloud Composer, Dataproc, AWS:Lambda, S3, DynamoDB, API Gateway, Bedrock, CloudFormation, FastAPI, RESTful API, React JS, PySpark

Developer Tools: Git, VS Code, Visual Studio, Azure DevOps, JIRA, Confluence, Docker, Kubernetes, AWS Cli **Libraries & SDKs:** TensorFlow, pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn, OpenAI SDK, matplotlib