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EDUCATION

San Diego State University

San Diego, CA

B.S. in Computer Science

Aug. 2021 - Dec. 2024

- **GPA**: 3.82/4.00 Cumulative, 4.00 Major
- Relevant Courses: Machine Learning, Data Science, Algorithms, Database Theory, UNIX System Admin.
- Extracurriculars: Waterski Club (Vice President), AI Club (Project Lead), Pickleball Club (D1 Team)

Experience

Software Engineer Intern

May 2023 – Present

Spokane, WA (Remote)

- Real Frequency Launch Agency
 - Develop and oversee a data reporting system using Flask, SQL, and HTML, saving \$50k in labor costs annually.
 - Implement data integration solutions using Pandas and SQLAlchemy, cutting data entry time by 25 hours weekly.
 - Write automation scripts with Google App Scripts to synchronize G-Suite apps, resulting in 15-hour weekly time savings for the team.

Research Student Assistant

Dec. 2022 – Present

IT Division, San Diego State University

San Diego, CA

- Build instruction-facing Docker containers on National Research Platform's (NRP) hypercluster: Nautilus.
- Collaborate with Microsoft and AWS teams to bolster enterprise AI solutions for research, instruction, and IT.
- Employ DevOps practices with Git, Prometheus, and CI/CD pipelines, delivering features and bug fixes weekly.

Projects

Client Data Reporting System | JavaScript, Flask, HTML/CSS, SQLAlchemy, Plotly

Aug. 2023 – Present

- Produced 162+ interactive dashboards monthly for 25 sports organizations, leveraging Flask, Plotly, and SQL.
- Deployed centralized logging and monitoring, cutting weekly system downtime by 5 hours.
- Alleviated a crucial bottleneck in client support and saved over 10 hours in weekly manual data entry.

Geospatial Clustering for Habitat Analysis | Python, Scikit-Learn, Rasterio, Matplotlib Feb. 2024 - Present

- Analyzed the spatial intersection between undeveloped parcels and wildlife data with the DBSCAN++ algorithm.
- Enabled the discovery of non-convex, density-based clusters for high-dimensional, large datasets.
- End goal: Reveal the impending habitat loss of 16 protected species native to Lake Tahoe, CA region.

Spotify Song Recommendation Engine | Python, Scikit-Learn, Spotify API, Requests Feb.

Feb. 2024 – Present

- Leveraged Pandas and Scikit-learn to fit a K-means++ clustering algorithm to a 150k song public dataset.
- Employed the Elbow Method, PCA/t-SNE analysis, and heat-map analysis, resulting in a 0.4 Silhouette Score.
- End goal: Deliver personalized song recommendations on web/mobile formats, tailored to users individual music preferences.

Storage Provisioning for Kubernetes Cluster | Kubernetes, Helm, Kubespawner, GitHub Actions

Dec. 2023

- Designed a Read-Write-Once Persistent Volume Claim (PVC) for Public Health graduate courses.
- Optimized secure access to 100+ GB biomedical datasets with KubeSpawner provisioning logic.
- Eliminated large file transfers and local copies, resulting in streamlined data retrieval for graduate students.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, Java, SQL

Frameworks: Flask, Scikit-Learn, PyTorch, Google App Scripts

Developer Tools: Linux, Docker, Kubernetes, Git, GitLab, GitHub Actions (CI/CD), Heroku Libraries: SQLAlchemy (ORM), Pandas, Plotly, Requests, NumPy, Matplotlib, Rasterio