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Experience

Jun 2023- Software Engineering Intern, Sky, London

Aug 2023 • Used PyTorch to train a tennis live-stream event detector based on 'Multi-modal Self-Supervision from Generalized Data Transformations'.

- O Sorted and extracted appropriate training data from available match footage (serve, rally, foul, etc.).
- Integrated with score detector from previous internship to produce a unified detector with additional optimisations and validation.

Jun 2022- Software Engineering Intern, Sky, London

Sep 2022 • Developed automated score detectors for Premier League football and tennis matches using computer vision (OpenCV) and optical character recognition Python libraries.

- o Implemented appropriate unit tests.
- o Dockerised to run on an AWS EC2 instance, taking a live video stream as input and emitting appropriate event notifications to Amazon SNS.

2019–2020 **Tutor**, Explore Learning, High Wycombe

- O Group and one-to-one English and Maths tutoring for students ages 4-16.
- O Taught small group 11+ exam preparation classes.

Education

2020–2024 MEng Computer Science, University College London, First Class Honours

- Optional Modules: Intelligent Systems, Artificial Intelligence and Neural Computing, Computer Graphics, Machine Learning and Neural Computing, Robotic Systems, Supervised Learning, Applied Machine Learning, Virtual Environments, Multi-agent Artificial Intelligence, Robotic Systems Engineering, Machine Vision
- o Key Projects:
 - Year 3 Group Research Project: Parameter-Wise Double Descent A Unified Model or Not?
 - · Investigated and questioned the ubiquity of the double descent phenomenon by training a range of neural networks on the MNIST dataset.
 - **&** Year 4 Individual Project: WebMGA 3.0.
 - · Web tool for interactive 3D visualisation of molecular configurations for liquid crystals.
 - · Developed using Node.js, React, and three.js.
 - ${\Large \bigcirc}$ GitHub, ${\Large \bigcirc}$ Dissertation
 - Virtual Environments Group Project:
 - · A tool for teaching and learning sign language using hand tracking in a networked VR environment.
 - \cdot Developed using Unity for Meta Quest 2 and 3 head sets.
 - Multi-agent Artificial Intelligence Group Project: Identifying how agents behave in the 'Warlords' game environment when trained using multi-agent reinforcement learning.
 - · Implemented the 'Deep Q-Learning" algorithm to try to learn behaviours in the 4-player Atari game 'Warlords'.
 - Ø Double Descent Literature Review
 - & Foveated Rendering Literature Review

2012–2019 **Secondary School**, The Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe

- o A-Level: Maths: A*, Computer Science: A*, Further Maths: A, Physics: B
- o GCSE: 9, 9, 9, A*, A*, A*, A*, A, A, A, A

Projects

- o O Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient Implementation:
 - Implemented an algorithm based on 'Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient (DDPG)' for a range of gymnasium environments.
- \circ \bigcirc NixOS:
 - Using NixOS as my primary OS since April 2024. My configuration can be found at the GitHub repo linked.
- ♠ A-Level Maths Quiz:
 - Implemented an A-Level maths quiz platform with automated question generation for my A-Level Computer Science coursework.

Skills

Programming Python, JavaScript/TypeScript, C, C++, C#, Java, Bash, SQL, Haskell, WebGL, TeX

Frameworks PyTorch, TensorFlow, Docker, Unity, Node.js, React, PyQt, Flask, Rospy, OpenCV

Tools Git, AWS (ECS, EC2, S3, SageMaker), Jupyter, JetBrains IDEs

Systems Linux (Arch, Nix, Debian), Arduino, Raspberry Pi, Windows, Meta Quest

Other Professional Scrum Master I