Kaiji Fu

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EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

May 2026

B.S. Computer Science and Mathematics | GPA: 4.0 | Carolina Scholar (full scholarship, top 1%) | Honors College (top 10%)

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern, Full Stack - Ember Learning

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Delivered a LLM grading feature with 100k+ users at an AI education company, helping generate \$40k+ in ARR
- Built 20+ responsive UI components using TypeScript and React and engineered AWS backend with Terraform.
- Implemented fine-tuning pipelines for LLMs, improving grading accuracy across diverse standards by more than 60%

Software Engineer, Open Source - Mozilla

Dec 2023 - Present

- Contributed to Mozilla's bugbug project, a bug classification system that uses ML to triage 10k+ Firefox bugs/month
- Implemented critical fixes in Python for type-checking issues, merging 2000+ lines of code over 20+ pull requests
- Collaborated with core maintainers through GitHub issues and code reviews to ensure code quality and compatibility

Research Assistant (AI/ML) - UNC School of Medicine

Nov 2024 - Present

- Collaborated with cardiologists to develop transformer architectures to analyze ECGs and detect cardiac anomalies
- Used Python and Tensorflow on a SLURM/Linux environment to achieve 11% higher accuracy than state of the art

Research Assistant (AI/ML) - ECU School of Medicine

Sept 2022 – Feb 2023

- Researched how federated (distributed) machine learning enhances patient privacy when training diagnostic models
- Demonstrated that federated modeling maintains 95%+ accuracy while obviating cross-institutional data sharing
- Won Best Poster at the ISS Symposium, where I presented findings to faculty, industry partners, and fellow researchers

PROJECTS

Nolyn | *AWS*/cloud, *React*, *full-stack*, *C*/*C*++, *RTOS*, *embedded development*/*debugging* May 2023 – Dec 2024

- Founded a startup that built a camera to capture license plates of vehicles illegally passing buses for 100x lower cost
- Developed ARM SoC firmware with C/RTOS and connected it to AWS for real-time image capture and analysis
- Engineered a full-stack cloud application with AWS and a ReactJS admin portal, providing 100% real-time visibility
- Deployed on 2000+ buses across 10+ school districts and secured \$1k+ in venture capital from investors like Amazon

Blackbeard | OpenCV, PyTorch, CUDA, robotics, embedded development, computer vision Aug 2022 – May 2023

- Trained an AI object detection model with OpenCV/PyTorch to 4x self-driving performance in a robotics competition
- Deployed the model on an **embedded Linux** coprocessor, achieving **95**% accurate real-time detection of field elements
- Implemented MQTT protocol with C++ and Java to connect coprocessor and robot controller for reliable data transfer

720 | Python, Numpy, Pandas, Machine Learning, Game Theory

Feb 2025

- Collaborated with team of 4 to build a pokerbot with Python that placed 1st/112 in the UNC Pokerbots competition
- Applied counterfactual regret minimization (CFR) algorithms to develop game-theory optimal betting strategie
- Engineered an opponent modeling system capable of adapting to villain's play patterns, increasing winrate by 32%
- Leveraged multi-threading to parallelize decision-making, decreasing latency by 3x and avoiding disqualification

Loggerhead | Swift, AWS, PostgreSQL, iOS development, RESTful APIs

Jan. 2021 - Feb. 2024

- Developed a full-stack iOS application in Swift to track and analyze tennis practice sessions with ball machines
- · Designed and implemented a RESTful API using AWS Lambda and API Gateway to store and retrieve user data
- Created a robust data model with **PostgreSQL** for tracking practice metrics, ball machine settings, and analytics
- · Implemented progress visualization with SwiftUI, helping users track improvement through data-driven insights

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, Kotlin, JavaScript, TypeScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, C, C++, Go, Swift

Frameworks: React, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Pandas, TailwindCSS, Vue.js, Angular, JUnit, Object-Oriented Programming **Developer Tools**: PostgreSQL, Git version control, AWS, GCP, Docker, CI/CD, Linux, Terraform, Kubernetes, unit testing **Domain Knowledge**: Computer Vision, Embedded Systems, Timers, Interrupts, Communication Protocols, ADCs, RESTful APIs, Open Source, HDL, FPGA; sensor, actuator, and motor control systems