Kevin Dela Rosa kevd1337@gmail.com

EXPERIENCE

• Snap, Inc. (Snapchat)

Seattle, WA

Machine Learning Tech Lead / Engineering Manager (Multimodal AI @ Advanced Understanding)

June 2016 - Present

- o Currently spinning up an applied research team focused on advanced technology for multimodal video understanding
- Drove implementation of camera unlocking experience that enables AR content to be triggered by scanning images; unlocks thousands of community lenses & high profile partner integrations as seen at the Super Bowl & Cannes
- Launched visual classification via Scan Module in Snapchat's Lens Studio which gives AR creators the ability to recognize 500+ object types across 4 categories (Objects, Places, Cars, Dogs) within a Snapchat lens
- Drove development of Snapchat's in-house OCR service used by visual product search, platform integrity, and content moderation services; improved spam detection by 168%, reduced human labeling cost by \$128k/yr
- Drove development of 10B scale reverse image search capabilities for Scan, and deployed supporting infrastructure including focused web crawling and large scale web archiving / data warehousing solutions
- o Drove integration of math problem detector and equation problem solver into Scan and MyAI product surfaces
- Authored billion⁺ scale vector similarity search engine that powers visual search use cases (e.g. fashion, product, lenses) and content-based machine learning data collection (e.g. visually or audio similar media retrieval) used to collect candidate training data for 50⁺ use cases (e.g. fine grained facial expression detection, body pose for skeletal tracking, cannabis / drug content classification, pet segmentation, audio scene classification, etc.)
- o Trained & deployed multiple vision models powering Scan including scene tagger, sky segmentation, hand detection
- Managed backend and machine learning engineers; grew team from 0 to 10; promoted multiple engineers; mentored many; owned cost goals for org; cut infra costs by millions of dollars per year; managed relationships with vendors
- o Owner of machine learning infrastructure track / job family at Snap, defined job requirements and hiring criteria
- o Defined technical strategy; named inventor on 14 filed patents; co-authored 3 academic papers, gave 2 industry talks

• Amazon.com, Inc.

Seattle, WA

Software Development Engineer II

Sept 2011 - June 2016

- Developed software for product de-duplication system that continuously improves Amazon.com catalog quality
- o Contributed catalog validation logic & matching criteria; launched over 30 new Amazon.com product categories

• Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

Graduate Research Assistant

Jan 2010 - August 2011

• Conducted research in natural language processing & educational computing applications; resulted in 8 publications

SKILLS & TECHNOLOGIES

• Coding: Python, Java, Go, JavaScript, SQL

Cloud: AWS, Google Cloud, Docker, Kubernetes, Spinnaker,

• AI / ML: TensorFlow, PyTorch, Kubeflow, Ray, LangChain, LLMs Data: Spark, Airflow, Beam, NoSQL, Vector DBs

SELECT TALKS & PUBLICATIONS (3 INDUSTRY TALKS, 14 ACADEMIC PAPERS, 600+ CITATIONS)

• Multimodality-guided Image Style Transfer using Cross-modal GAN Inversion H Wang, P Wu, K Dela Rosa, C Wang, A Shrivastava WACV 2024

• FORB: A Flat Object Retrieval Benchmark for Universal Image Embedding P Wu, S Wang, K Dela Rosa, DH Hu

NeurIPS 2023

• Open-Vocabulary Object Detection Using Captions

CVPR

A Zareian, K Dela Rosa, DH Hu, SF Chang

2021

2020

• MLOps at Snapchat: Continuous Machine Learning with Kubeflow & Spinnaker K Dela Rosa

Kubecon

 \bullet Build accurate training datasets with Amazon SageMaker Ground Truth V Madan,~K~Dela~Rosa

AWS re:Invent

• Topical Clustering of Tweets

ACM SIGIR Workshop on Social Web & Mining

K Dela Rosa, R Shah, B Lin, A Gershman, R Frederking

2011

EDUCATION

• Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Computer Science in Language Technologies

August 2011

• University of Texas at Arlington

Arlington, TX

Bachelor of Science in Software Engineering & Physics (double major)

May 2009