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## **EDUCATION**

#### Purdue University, College of Engineering - West Lafayette, IN

May 2023

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

Cumulative GPA 3.83/4.00

#### **Relevant Coursework:**

- Completed: Artificial Intelligence (Graduate Course), Python for Data Science, Probabilistic Methods, Data Structures
- Current: Operating Systems Engineering, Software Engineering, Intro to Computer Security, Open Source Software

#### **Campus Involvement:**

- Eta Kappa Nu (HKN)
- Vertically Integrated Projects (VIP)
- Hong Kong Student Association

## The Chinese University of Hong Kong – Hong Kong

April 2021 - June 2021

System Development & Programming, Machine Learning with Python

Data management with Python, Web Scraping, Data Visualization, Scikit-learn, Deep learning with TensorFlow

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### Purdue University School of Electrical and Computer Engineering – West Lafayette, IN

Undergraduate Researcher - Sequential Task based Reinforcement Learning

May 2022 - Present

- Seeking solutions to increase the efficiency of training an RL agent to perform multiple tasks sequentially.
- Developed a method of keeping track of each possible state using a binary tree of Q tables.
- Attempting to tackle the exponential increase in training time with principles of dynamic programming and memoization.

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant (ECE 264 – Advanced C Programming, ECE 368 - Data Structures) June 2022 – December 2022

- Further developed leadership and communication skills as a UTA.
- Assisted up to 70 students on weekly homework and debugging programming assignments.
- Familiarized students with using tools such as Git, GitHub, Valgrind and GDB.

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant (ECE 20001 - Electrical Engineering Fundamentals 1)

August 2021 – December 2021

- Guided up to 32 students through core concepts of electrical engineering and linear circuits during weekly office hours.
- Graded and returned student assignments in a timely manner.

#### Preface Coding - Hong Kong

June 2021 - August 2021

Full Stack Development Intern

- Rewrote components of the online member web portal to utilize responsive design using HTML, CSS and JavaScript.
- Implemented backend form checking using active record validations through ruby on rails.
- Gained experience on utilizing CRUD operations and testing REST APIs on the Postman API platform.

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Languages: Proficient in Python, Java, C, C++, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, MATLAB, Verilog, Assembly

Tools: Git, GDB, React.js, Excel, Matplotlib, NumPy, Pandas, SolidWorks, EAGLE, Fusion 360, CATIA V5, STM32 ARM microcontroller

# **PROJECTS**

Cat & Mouse April 2022

 Programmed a game in C using the STM32F091 microcontroller where a cat autonomously chases a mouse controlled by the user. Implemented chasing logic using Dijkstra's algorithm. Used SPI to control LCD display and GPIO for push buttons.

# **Raw K-means Clustering**

June 2021

• Wrote an algorithm to illustrate unsupervised learning on python without the help of any machine learning libraries.