# MARTIN MA

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### University of Waterloo

University of Waterloo Sept 2016 - Apr 2021

BASc Chemical Engineering with Option in AI

- Cumulative GPA: 95%, Rank: 1/50, Dean's Honours List
- Relevant Courses: Intro to Machine Learning, Advanced Optimization, Data Mining, Autonomous Vehicles, Game Theory, CNN for Computer Vision (Stanford CS231n), Reinforcement Learning (Stanford CS234), Algorithms & Data Structures,

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### University of Waterloo - Professor Krzysztof Czarnecki

Waterloo, Canada June 2020 - Aug 2020

Autonomous Vehicle Engineer

- Co-designed and implemented an active learning framework for LiDAR-based 3D object detection.
  - Enabled training on multiple datasets (KITTI, NuScenes, CADC) and models (PointPillars, SECOND) by building dataloaders and abstraction layers.
  - $\bullet$  Increased sample training efficiency by 5% through designing uncertainty-based acquisition functions.
- Enhanced model robustness and increased performance by 3% through training with epistemic and aleatoric uncertainty calcualted from Monte Carlo dropout in PointPillars network with PyTorch and CUDA.
- Minimized expected calibration error by calibrating network output using temperature scaling.
- Generated explanation for 3D object detection and collected meaningful trend between True Positive and False Positive using saliency and integrated gradient with Captum.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Suncor Energy

Calgary, Canada

Production Engineer

Sept 2019 - Dec 2019

- Reduced unreachable underground oil field temperature prediction error by over 60% through constructing a regression neural network with PyTorch.
- Enabled refinery system malfunction alert 1-3 days in advance with 83% precision using an autoencoder for anomaly detection in operating data using Kera.
- Automated tasks of calculating oil sample saturation level from lab pictures, with normalization for different light conditions using OpenCV.

#### Petro-Canada Lubricants

Mississauga, Canada Jan 2019 - Apr 2019

Process Engineer

- Reduced plant power consumption by 12% through optimizing the plant controller operating functions using cost/benefit analysis.
- Predicted QC results with 90+% accuracy by designing a greedy selection algorithm and optimized parameters using dynamic simulation in Python.

#### AWARDS & HONOURS

Vice President of Chemical Engineering Student Society (2018-present)

First-in-class Scholarship (2019, 2020)

Engineering Faculty Upper Year Scholarship (2019)

President's Scholarship (2017)

## **SKILLS**

Languages: Python, Java, C++, C, MATLAB, SQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Tools: Linux, Git, Docker, CPLEX, ROS, Simulink ML Libraries: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, Captum

# **PROJECTS**

Tetris.ai Python, PyTorch, PyGame

github.com/martinzwm/tetris-ai

Trained RL agent from raw pixels with Double Deep Q-Learning and Prioritized Experience Replay to achieve super-human performance in Tetris.

Style Transfer Python, PyTorch

github.com/martinzwm/stanford-cs231n

Train a model to artistically integrate any 2 pictures, output image contains the content of one image and the style of the other.

Lane Detection Python, OpenCV

github.com/martinzwm/lane-detection

Pipeline: Gaussian blur, Canny edge detection, RoI identification, Hough transform, lane classification

Path Planner C++

github.com/martinzwm/path-planner

Designed vehicle path planning algorithm to achieve lane following/changing, smooth trajectory, collision avoidance.

Robust Shortest Path Python, CPLEX

github.com/martinzwm/robust-shortest-path

Applied Benders decomposition to solve for shortest path problem when arc length is a random variable within an upper and lower bound.

# EXTRA CURRICULARS

Champion of intramural hockey Assistant soccer coach for U15 Intramural basketball Guitarist in a band Rock climbing