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EDUCATION

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign • Champaign, IL

B.S. Computer Science

Expected

May 2026

Coursework: OOP, Data Structures, Computer Architecture, C++, Java, Computational Linear Algebra, Discrete Math, Computational Statistics, Calculus III

Research Interests: Time-series Modeling, Machine Learning, Quantitative Modeling

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer Engineer I • Stackline • Seattle, WA

Aug 2024 -

Present

- Creating a fingerprinting library that can be easily plugged into Atlas, a marketplace intelligence product, to collect data for developing a smarter automated agent to bypass anti-bot systems.
- Modifying and building a custom Chromium-based browser in C++ using analytics gathered from fingerprint tooling.
- Collaborating daily with the CTO and CEO on product development.

Software Engineer Intern • Stackline • Seattle, WA

Jun 2024 -

Aug 2024

- Implemented and deployed automated dockerized Webkit agents to AWS EC2 instances for retail scraping to bypass anti-bot measures, improving failure rate from over 50% to less than 5% and allowing for parallel instances.
- Developed a browser fingerprinting toolkit for analyzing bot frameworks while also acting as an anti-bot that is more effective than industry standards such as Akamai and Kasada. Used Golang to create TLS fingerprinting servers and proxies.

Quantitative Trader • Quant @ Illinois • Champaign, IL

Sep 2023 -

Present

- Researched, developed, and tested an automated volatility trading strategy that had a sharpe ratio of 0.554 over the long-run, outperforming the S&P 500.
- Deployed a HFT strategy for trading an equity at researched price resulting in a return of 61.88% over 458 days versus a benchmark of 27.43% and a sharpe ratio of 1.42.
- Built a machine learning model with Tensorflow to emulate fundamental analysis in order to generate a 6-month equity valuation.
- Researching statistical models such as GARCH to forecast volatility for vega trading.

AI/ML Engineer Intern • SoKat Consulting • Baltimore, MD

May 2022 -

Sep 2022

- Developed and implemented computer vision models using PyTorch to address challenges faced by the Department of Veterans Affairs, resulting in a \$250,000 first stage grant.
- Collaborated with government stakeholders to ensure compliance with security and privacy regulations, facilitating the integration of AI/ML solutions into classified environments.

Founder • Fuchsia • Washington, D.C.

Jan 2021 -

Oct 2022

- Managed a team of six engineers to develop web, automation, blockchain, and productivity software for 10 clients that serve 10,000+ customers, increasing their competitiveness.
- Automated the purchase of digital and retail goods in an arbitrage opportunity, generating a peak of over \$12,000 monthly revenue in a limited market space.

SKILLS

Programming: Javascript • Python • C++ • Typescript • NodeJS • HTML • CSS • Java • Golang

Libraries/Frameworks: PyTorch • TensorFlow • Keras • Pandas • NumPy • React • Docker • AWS

Software: Figma • Adobe Creative Suite • Microsoft Office • Google Suite