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Machine Learning Engineer



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Education

Master of Science Degrees: GPA 3.87

Computer Science | Mathematics

Western Washington University

Bellingham, WA

Bachelor of Science | Bachelor of Arts:

Physics | Computer Science

The Evergreen State College

Olympia, WA

Technical Skills

Overview

- AI
 - Machine Learning
 - * Deep Learning
 - * Reinforcement Learning
- Statistical Data Analysis
- Algorithms
 - Mathematical Analysis
 - Parallel | Distributed

Career Summary

Western Washington University

Graduate Research Assistant

Duration: Mar. 2022 - Present

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Duration: Oct. 2021 - Mar. 2022

The Evergreen State College

Teaching Assistant

Duration: Oct. 2020 - Jun. 2021

College Tutor:

Bellingham Technical College:

Duration: Mar. 2020 - Mar. 2022

Skagit Valley College:

Duration: Dec. 2019 - Jun. 2021

Strong passion for scientific computing and AI. I have a broad range of knowledge and skills in computational methods, science, and mathematics. I'm eager to put my knowledge to use, and to expand and deepen my diverse skill-set.

Languages, Modules, and Algorithms

skill means strong familiarity, **skill** means mastered.

- Python modules including: **Gymnasium/OpenAiGym**, **Matplotlib**, ****Numpy****, ***Pandas***, **PyGame**, **SciKit-Learn**, ***SKRL***, **TensorFlow**, ***WandB***, and ****PyTorch****.
- Computational languages including: **Julia**, ***MATLAB/Octave***, **R**.
- General languages including: ***BASH***, ***C***, **C++**, **C#**, **Java**, ****Python****.
- Algorithms including: **Gaussian Mixture Model clustering**, **Expectation Maximization**, **Inverse Transform Sampling**, **Matrix Analytic Methods using SVD**, **QR factorization**, **Rejection Sampling**, **Red/Black SOR**, and **Stochastic Integration**.
- Mathematics and science disciplines including: ***Analysis***, **Algebra**, **/*Calculus***, **Chemistry**, ***Physics***, ***Statistics***
- Computational techniques such as: **Distributed Computing**, **HPC**, **Meta Learning**, **Parallel Computing**, **Transfer Learning**
- Miscellaneous ***Bayesian Decision Theory***, ***ChatGPT*** **Docker**, **EnergyPlus**, **Excel**, **Git**, ***LaTeX***, **Project Collaboration**, ***SQL***
- I am very interested in learning more about: bci, biology, biogerontology, ecology, investing, music theory, and neuroscience.

Experience

Time-frame	Summary
1 year	Worked in a funded research collaboration with PNNL focused on electric load forecasting for commercial office buildings using EnergyPlus for simulation and PyTorch for deep learning . Utilized HTCondor for distributed HPC , and Weights and Biases for hyper-parameter tuning in meta/transfer-learning experiments.
9 months	In another funded collaboration with PNNL , applied deep reinforcement learning toward achieving optimal control in a variety of physics simulators including building energy simulations. Contributed to the Neuromancer open-source project, creating PsIGym to wrap Neuromancer PSL Nonautonomous systems in a Gymnasium interface for deep reinforcement learning control implemented with the SKRL Python module. Created graphical frameworks for debugging and visualizing results including an interactive TwoTank control game, using Matplotlib and Pygame . Achieved control with algorithms including: A2C , DDPG , PPO , TD3 , and TRPO ; in reference tracking and energy management physics control problems. Added random walk variants to the Signals nm sub-module for robust sampling in data generation .
1 year	Applied a variety of tabular reinforcement learning techniques including Q-learning and Dyna-Q , to a variety of academic control problems including windy grid-world and maze-running , following Sutton/Barto's Introduction to Reinforcement Learning.
2 years	Collaborated with a team of college tutors , helping students at BTC and SCV in various technical subjects especially algebra , calculus , chemistry , computer science , and physics . Team members would often pass students to me with the more challenging math problems.