

Chris Barrick

A.I. SOFTWARE ENGINEER · DATA SCIENTIST

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“Write programs that do one thing and do it well. Write programs to work together.”

Skills

Languages Python, Prolog, Rust, Go, Java, JavaScript (Node), SQL
Platforms Google Cloud Dataproc, Anaconda, Debian/Ubuntu, Arch Linux
Technologies PyTorch, Tensorflow, Spark, Hive, netCDF/HDF5, CLP(FD), Scikit-learn, NLTK, Jupyter, Docker, Git

Experience

UGA Institute for Artificial Intelligence

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Athens, GA

Aug. 2016 - PRESENT

- Developing predictive, deep learning models from over 2TB of forecast data with PyTorch.
- Developed a data ingestion pipeline for NOAA weather forecasts in Python with xarray and netCDF.

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PROLOG DEVELOPER AND INTERN

Atlanta, GA

May. 2017 - Aug. 2017

- Advised business leaders in the transition from a legacy Prolog system into a Java-based microservice architecture.
- Drafted a data model with support for dynamic objects on a SQL backend.

Digital Envoy

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT INTERN

Atlanta, GA

May. 2016 - Aug. 2016

- Developed a system on Hive to alert for suspicious changes to weekly database releases.

Engage

FRONTEND WEB DEVELOPER

Clayton, GA

Jul. 2013 - Jun. 2014

- Prototyped mobile apps using web technologies with Apache Cordova.

Education

University of Georgia

M.S. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Athens, GA

Aug. 2016 - PRESENT

- Thesis on predictive models for solar energy production using 2TB of NOAA forecasts.
- Interdisciplinary coursework in Computer Science, Linguistics, and Philosophy.
- **Courses:** Algorithms, Generative Syntax, Philosophy of Language, Knowledge Based Systems, Decision Making under Uncertainty, Biomedical Informatics, Data Science II, Applied Machine Learning, Advanced Data Analytics, Data Science Practicum

University of Georgia

COMPUTER SCIENCE AND COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Athens, GA

Aug. 2011 - Dec. 2015

- Double major with an area of emphasis in Artificial Intelligence.
- Developed a conditional term-rewriting system in Prolog as a directed study in AI.
- **Select courses:** Model Theory, Symbolic Programming, Evolutionary Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus, Cognitive Psychology, Philosophical Psychology, Computer Networks, Databases

Organizations

DELUG: Deep Learning @ UGA

CORE MEMBER & OFFICER IN 2018

Athens, GA

Nov. 2017 - Present

- Presented the club's inaugural lecture on vanishing gradients and tips to avoid them: Xavier initialization, ReLU, Batch Norm, and SELU.

Projects

Hydrus: Scalable document classification in Spark.

UGA

github.com/dsp-uga/hydrus

2018

- Implements Gaussian Naive Bayes and Logistic Regression from low-level RDD operations.
- Designed for deployment to Google Cloud Dataproc.

Plum: A logical agent for the board game *Clue*.

UGA

github.com/cbarrick/plum

2014

- Communicates with a human operator in natural language (English).
- Models knowledge as a constraint satisfaction problem, uses path-finding and probability estimates to make decisions.
- Super-human performance, implemented in Prolog with CLP(FD).

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

2017 **Solar Radiation Prediction Improvement Using Weather Forecasts.** Sanders, Barrick, Maier, Rasheed.

IEEE ICMLA

PRESENTATIONS

2017 **DELUG.** *Vanishing Gradients.* (<https://goo.gl/B7x3YF>)

Athens, GA

2016 **RGNS.** *Artificial Intelligence.* Presented to a high-school science club. (<https://goo.gl/9KX3kU>)

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