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EXPERIENCE

Waymo San Francisco, CA Jul 2020 - Present

Senior Software Engineer, Perception

Working on perception for Waymo Via, the trucking and freight product.

Cruise San Francisco, CA Jan 2020 - Jul 2020

Engineering Manager, Machine Learning

Led a 9 person team of researchers and engineers focused on improving object detection at Cruise. Built, maintained, and iterated a primary production object detector. Conducted applied research in object detection, tracking, and simulation. Reduced object detection related safety events by 40% in 6 months.

Senior Machine Learning Engineer

Feb 2018 – Jan 2020

Tech lead and project owner: emergency vehicles, audio understanding, lidar detection (birds eye view). Researched deep learning models for computer vision, video classification, audio, lidar, tracking, and sensor fusion. Developed systems end-to-end, including hardware design, algorithm and infrastructure development, model deployment, and validation and testing. Built automated retraining and active learning systems to improve models automatically.

Fitbit San Francisco, CA Research Scientist June 2016 – Feb 2018

Spearheaded effort to introduce deep learning to Fitbit R&D. Developed and validated Tensorflow-based networks on a variety of data modalities, which included building associated training infrastructure. Built machine learning tooling for model deployment both to the cloud as well as low-power microcontrollers.

Researched machine learning and signal processing methods for a variety of data, including images, accelerometer/gyroscope, PPG, and audio. Wrote firmware that ships on products, including on the Fitbit Ionic and Versa. Acted as a technical mentor and leader, presenting at internal talks and mentoring interns.

University of Michigan Computer Science Dept.

Ann Arbor, MI

Graduate Student Research Assistant

August 2014 – June 2016

Investigated methods for using sensor data and novel deep learning networks to improve outcomes in cardiothoracic surgery. Researched advanced methods of static compiler optimization by applying deep sequence models to LLVM intermediate language.

Internships

DSP Intern, iZotope Inc. Software Intern, Digital Design Corp. (began at age 16) Summer 2013

Summer 2008/09/10/11/12

EDUCATION

MS in Computer Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor BS in Electrical Engineering, Tufts University, Medford

2014 - 2016, GPA 3.77 2010 – 2014, GPA 3.73

SKILLS

ML/DL: SciPy/NumPy/Pandas, Tensorflow, PyTorch, TensorRT

Skills: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Signal Processing, Statistics, Hardware

PUBLICATIONS

Zekany S, Harada N, Rings D, Laurenzano M, Tang L, Mars, J. CrystalBall: Statically analyzing runtime behavior via deep sequence learning, MICRO 2016

Harada N, Saeed M, Baveja S, Syed Z. Evaluating the Utility of a Multi-factorial Computational Model and Simplified Multi-factorial Risk Score to Predict Postoperative Atrial Fibrillation Following Cardiothoracic Surgery, American Heart Association (AHA) Scientific Sessions, 2015.