Nicholas Roberts

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EDUCATION

University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA

Computer Science B.S. Mathematics minor, GPA: 3.9, Expected graduation: June 2019

EXPERIENCE

Teradata - Software Engineering Intern

June 2017 - Present

- Developed open source Spark-Teradata connector forked from Databricks' Spark-Redshift connector
- Designed and implemented Teradata stored procedures to mimic AWS Redshift's UNLOAD and COPY using AWS S3
- Leveraged Teradata's parallel architecture to maximize throughput of data transfer on AWS
- Technologies used: Scala, SBT, Java, Maven, Teradata SQL, AWS: EC2, EMR, S3, Redshift, CloudFormation

The Cottrell Lab (GURU) - Undergraduate Researcher

February 2017 - Present

- Submitted, Journal of Nature Scientific Reports: "Small Molecule Accurate Recognition Technology to Enhance Natural Products Research"
- Reproduced previous results of deep learning system for natural products research with Scripps Institute of Oceanography
- Explored the effects of artificial experimental noise added to the dataset and showed some noise resistance
- Technologies used: Python, Lasagne, Theano, SciPy, Jupyter Notebook, Matplotlib

Skqrl - Software Engineering Intern

June 2016 - December 2016

- Developed web crawler to compile needfinding and product data using Scrapy and Selenium
- Designed and implemented object oriented search solution using Python/Django/MySQL
- Technologies used: Python, Scrapy, Selenium, Django, MySQL, JavaScript

ModSpot - Software Engineering Intern

January 2016 - March 2016

- Implemented new user account, edit profile, and login designs in Objective-C for iOS application
- Refactored analytics code for gathering statistics on app usage, helping designers make more informed choices
- Technologies used: Objective-C, Cocoa Touch, Flurry Analytics

PROJECTS

RobotDoesX - Deep neural network system that learns from YouTube videos to produce YouTube content

- Built and trained a deep LSTM model using Keras and Tensorflow trained on YouTube transcripts
- Designed a storage scheme for parallel training checkpoints using RethinkDB for real time updates
- Technologies used: Python, Keras, Tensorflow, RethinkDB, Jupyter Notebook, Matplotlib

Uncertaintyscript - Scripting language and interpreter for quantum information simulations (HackTech 2016)

- Designed and implemented parser and lexer to use Bash-like syntax for quantum bit operators
- Developed a REPL command line interface for running Uncertainty script simulations in a Unix shell
- Technologies used: Scala, Gradle, ScalaNLP Breeze

Graph Speak - Chatbot for graphically learning common language patterns

- Designed and implemented a probabilistic graphical model for parsing and generating natural language
- Developed dynamic front-end web interface for conversing with the Graph Speak model
- Technologies used: Java, Google App Engine, Google Cloud Datastore, HTML/CSS, Javascript

TECHNOLOGIES AND SKILLS

Competent: Python, Java, Scala, C/C++, Git, Tensorflow, Unix, HTML/CSS, AWS

Familiar: SQL, JavaScript, Node.js, OCaml, Agile, Maven, Gradle, Docker, Matlab, Objective-C