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EDUCATION

• Luther College

Decorah, IA

B.A. Computer Science, Mathematics (magna cum laude)

Aug. 2017 - May. 2021

TECHNICAL SKILLS AND NATURAL LANGUAGES

- o Languages: Python, Rust, Shell Script, Modern C++, PostgreSQL, Lua, Haskell, JavaScript, Markdown, LaTeX, HTML, CSS
- o Tools and Libraries: Linux, Neovim, Git, Docker, PyTorch, Transformers, scikit-learn, matplotlib, numpy, pandas, Flask, Zola
- o Theory: Applied Statistics, Deep Learning, Information Theory, Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus, Real Analysis, Topology
- o Natural Languages: English (Native Proficiency), Georgian (Native Proficiency), Russian (Native Proficiency)

WORK EXPERIENCE

University of Pittsburgh

Machine Learning Research Scientist

Work Remotely from Brooklyn, NY

Feb. 2022 - Present

- o First-authored papers accepted at major AI/ML and health informatics conferences and journals
- o Led engineering and system design efforts for CDM-compliant research data warehouse (ReDWINE)
- o Automated Extract, Transform, Load (ETL) pipelines manipulating hundreds of GBs of data
- o Researched Few-Shot Learning and Transformers for accurate and efficient text classification

DawnLight

Research Engineer

Palo Alto, CA

Apr. 2021 – Jan. 2022

- Developed and maintained AI sensing inference runtime for audio and radar (C++ codebase)
 - o Architected and trained highly performant CNN-based DL model for human activity detection
 - o Implemented Python APIs and data engineering pipelines for interacting with data platforms
 - o Together with Principal Scientist, wrote C++ library of signal processing algorithms (libdsp)
 - o DawnLight was Sequoia Capital Backed Ambient Intelligence and Edge Computing Startup

Mayo Clinic

Rochester, MN

Feb. 2020 - Sept. 2020

Artificial Intelligence Researcher

- $\circ\,$ First-authored papers accepted at leading AI and health informatics conferences and journals
- $\circ~$ Built chatbot as extension of GPT-2 model by applying BERT, BioBERT, USE, and tf-idf
- o Utilized node2vec for generating COVID-19 network embeddings and built co-occurrence network
- o Worked directly under Dr. Feichen Shen and Dr. Yanshan Wang in division of Dr. Hongfang Liu

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

- A Qualitative Evaluation of Language Models on Automatic Question-Answering for COVID-19
 Proceedings of the 11th ACM International Conference on Bioinformatics, Computational Biology and Health Informatics (ACM-BCB), 2020
 First Author, 30 citations
- Constructing Co-occurrence Network Embeddings to Assist Association Extraction for COVID-19 and Other Coronavirus Infectious Diseases
 Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association (JAMIA), 2020
 First Author, 19 citations
- Toward Improving Health Literacy in Patient Education Materials with Neural Machine Translation Models American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) Informatics Summit, 2023
 First Author, recent article
- Social and Behavioral Determinants of Health in the Era of Artificial Intelligence with Electronic Health Records: A Scoping Review Health Data Science (HDS), 2021
 Co-Author, 8 citations

Honors and Awards

- o National Interest Waiver (NIW) Green Card Immigrant Petition Approval for Exceptional Ability, USCIS (2022)
- o Dean's List Recipient, Luther College (2017 2021)
- o Recipient of Multiple Highly Competitive Scholarships, Luther College (2017 2020)
- o Recipient of 2 Dean's Office Summer Research Awards, Luther College (2018, 2019)
- o Gold Medal for Academic Excellence, Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia (2016)
- o Multiple-Time Finalist, National Mathematics Olympiad of Georgia (2011 2016)
- o 7th Place (TOP 10), National Mathematics Olympiad of Georgia (2014)
- o IMO & IPhO Nominee, Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia, (2014)