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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, C++, Shell Script, Rust, PostgreSQL, Lua, Haskell, JavaScript, Markdown, LaTeX, HTML, CSS
- o Tools and Libraries: Linux, Neovim, Git, Docker, PyTorch, Transformers, NumPy, Matplotlib, pandas, scikit-learn, 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

Palo Alto, CA Apr. 2021 – Jan. 2022

Research Engineer

• Developed and maintained AI sensing inference runtime for audio and radar (C++ codebase)

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- Architected and trained highly performant CNN-based DL model for human activity detection
- $\circ\,$ Implemented Python APIs and data engineering pipelines for interacting with data platforms
- $\circ \ \, \text{Together with Principal Scientist, wrote C} + + \text{library of signal processing algorithms (libdsp)}$
- o DawnLight was Sequoia Capital Backed Ambient Intelligence and Edge Computing Startup

Mayo Clinic

Rochester, MN

Feb. 2020 - Sept. 2020

o First-authored papers accepted at leading AI and health informatics conferences and journals

- o Built chatbot as extension of GPT-2 model by applying BERT, BioBERT, USE, and tf-idf
- 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

Artificial Intelligence Researcher

- 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, 32 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)