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Deep Learning, Computer Vision,
Robotics, Software Engineering

Experience

2023 - Present (1 yr 6 mos) · Senior Machine Learning Engineer · QSC (acq. by Acuity Brands) · Zurich, CH · Remote

- Ported vision ML models to ONNX and TensorRT, tripling speed and reducing VRAM usage by 15%.
- Increased system speed by 30% on resource-constrained hardware through batched inference implementation.
- Led CV/ML prototyping in detection, tracking, embeddings, and VLMs with state-of-the-art methods.
- Redesigned ML architecture for modularity and flexibility, and led efforts to clean up technical debt.
- Co-managed and mentored the ML team, integrated teams, enforced best practices, and led the hiring process.
- Technologies: Python, PyTorch, TensorRT, ONNX, Weights & Biases, Grafana, ROS, Docker, GCP.

2021 - 2023 (2 yrs) · Machine Learning Engineer · Seervision (ETHZ Spin-off, acq. by QSC) · Zurich, CH · Remote

- Optimized real-time detection pipeline, reduced latency by 24%, VRAM by 45%, and increased accuracy by 10%.
- Designed, prototyped, tuned, and deployed a face recognition system with a false-positive rate below 5%.
- Drove real-time inference optimization efforts, tripling the number of supported clients per hardware unit.
- Collaborated with the product team to prototype and experiment with CV/ML systems for novel user experiences.
- Technologies: Python, C++, PyTorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, CUDA, ROS, Docker, GitLab CI/CD, GCP.

2020 - 2021 (6 mos) · ML Infrastructure Engineer · benshi.ai (funded by BMGF) · Barcelona, ES · Hybrid

- Built large-scale ML infrastructure and data pipelines for production, from ingestion to deployment.
- Technologies: Python, Pandas, PySpark, Databricks, MLflow, Docker, Kubernetes, Azure, GitHub Actions.

2019 - 2020 (1 yr 3 mos) · Full-Stack Machine Learning Engineer · Self-employed

- Developed a CNN-based face predictor with an 18% accuracy improvement, optimized for low-latency inference.
- Developed full-stack application with cross-platform frontend and microservice-based cloud architecture.
- Technologies: Python, TensorFlow, scikit-learn, Flask, React, PostgreSQL, AWS.

2016 - 2017 (1 yr) · Control Systems Engineer, Intern · Rapyuta Robotics (ETHZ Spin-off) · Tokyo, JP · On-site

- Achieved a 55x speedup of NumPy-heavy simulation iterations and open-sourced the Python package PyJet.
- Designed energy estimators using a Kalman Filter, enhanced tracking controller and performed sensor tests.
- Technologies: Python, C++, NumPy, SciPy, ROS.

Education

2017 - 2019 (2 yrs) · MSc Robotics, Systems & Control · 5.25/6.0 · ETH · Zurich, CH

- · Developed an online deep learning architecture for object instance prediction, pose estimation, and tracking.
- Showed that an additional depth input channel improved the segmentation accuracy of Mask R-CNN by 31%.
- Technologies: Python, CUDA C/C++, TensorFlow, Keras, Caffe2, OpenCV.

2012 - 2016 (3 yrs 6 mos) · **BSc Mechanical Engineering** · 5.51/6.0 · ETH · Zurich, CH

- Developed balancing algorithms for a 6DoF omnicopter using non-linear control methods.
- Technologies: C++, MATLAB, Simulink.

Projects

2023 - Present · Beachin' Rentals Self-service kiosk built using Flask, Stripe, Shopify, RasPi, RS-485.

2023 - 2024 · Trap the Cat Mobile app built with JavaScript, CapacitorJS and Firebase, with 100k+ downloads.

2022 · Anti CryptoPunks NFT project built on the Polygon blockchain, with 6 ETH traded.

2015 · Pylet Python library converting Python/NumPy operations to C++, achieving a 55x speedup.