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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Toronto, ON

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science Specialist Program (cGPA: 3.87/4.0)

Sept. 2019 - Jun. 2023

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages (Proficient): Python, Java, C, JavaScript, HTML/CSS (Familiar): C++, Dart/Flutter Technologies & Frameworks: React, Node.js, Express, MongoDB, PyTorch, Keras, Git, Firebase, PostgreSQL, Bash

WORK EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate ML Researcher Intern

May 2022 – Apr. 2023

The AMBIENT Project Team Supervised by Babak Taati, University of Toronto

[Final Report]

- Developed an end-to-end automated pipeline using **Python** and **OpenCV** for processing raw video data, extracting key 3D joint locations, and computing gait features for fall risk assessment in dementia patients, enhancing the accuracy of clinical analyses.
- Conducted a comprehensive review and quantitative analysis of heel-strike detection methods in clinical settings, utilizing advanced **machine learning models** to compare 3D and 2D pose analysis, and provided insights for data quality improvement.
- Implemented and evaluated gait feature estimation algorithms in clinical settings, introducing a greedy evaluation algorithm for enhanced accuracy. Demonstrated expertise in **Python**, **NumPy**, and **Matplotlib** for effective data analysis and visualization in healthcare technology.

Software Developer Intern

May 2021 – Aug. 2021

ThinkOn Inc.

- Implemented features for microservices, including email testing prior to mass emailing clients using the SendGrid SMTP API, while also contributing to the front end using **ReactJS** and the backend REST API development using **Java** (**Dropwizard**), ensuring quality and professionalism.
- Troubleshot and resolved critical **SQL** bugs, ensuring accurate classification of customer information on the web portal, thereby mitigating potential business impact.
- Contributed to the maintenance of the portal code-base, which included identifying and resolving critical bugs that impacted users' ability to accurately produce documents and access consumption metrics.
- Proposed and implemented UI/UX improvements on customer-facing pages such as the services health page which enabled quicker identification and resolution of service problems by developers before they were reported by customers through intuitive design.

EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

Co-director of Partnerships

May 2021 – Aug. 2022

• Led a group of 16 students responsible for fielding **26 teams** for a machine learning competition from North American universities such as CMU, Cornell, and Yale, and helped raise over **\$100,000** by contacting and maintaining sponsors such as Google, IBM, and the Vector Institute.

PROJECTS

UofT AI

Personal Portfolio: www.omarshalash.com (for additional information and projects)

[Code]

Idea Hut | MERN Stack

[Code]

- Developed a web application that connects creative idea proposers with motivated developers, enabling the implementation of innovative technological projects.
- Integrated a **RESTful** API with **MongoDB**, **ReactJS**, and **Bootstrap** for responsive front-end development, and ensuring user authentication and security by using **JSON Web Tokens** and **Bcrypt**.

ImageQualityAnalysis | OpenCV

Code

- Engaged in developing a convenient-to-use interface that allows users to detect facial features in an image.
- Aided in implementing head-tilt detection with spontaneous feedback, prompting the user to adjust their head as needed for centering.