Pearl Natalia

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Education

University of Waterloo

Sept 2023 - Apr 2028

Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours), Co-op

Waterloo, ON

- Involvement: WATonomous (Self-Driving Car Design Team), Women in Engineering (Sponsorship Director)
- Coursework: Data Structures and Object Oriented Programming (C++), Programming Principles (C), Compiler Design (C++), Computer Architecture (RISC-V), Digital Circuits (VHDL)

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, SQL (PostgreSQL), Java, C, C#, C++, JavaScript/TypeScript, HTML/CSS

Tools: AWS, Google Cloud, Docker, Git, Render, Jenkins, Neo4j, Unix, Figma, Trino, MongoDB, Azure Data Studio, Grafana

Frameworks: React, Flask, Node.js, Django, Bootstrap, Spring Boot, ROS

ML Libraries: NumPy, Pandas, TensorFlow, OpenCV, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn, Keras, Transformers, PyTorch

Experience

Software Engineering Intern

Jan 2025 – Present

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Toronto, ON

- Developed a Spring Boot tool to convert SQL queries to Trino format via syntax trees, enabling scalable federated querying
- Built a Grafana dashboard with Docker to visualize Trino pipeline metrics, generating 100k datapoints for stress testing
- Collaboratively optimized batch sizes to reduce latency in migrating millions of health records across distributed databases
- Documented iterative progress in Confluence for all projects collaborated on in Sprints, following Agile methodologies

Machine Learning Engineer

Sept 2024 – Present

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New York City, NY (remote)

- Developed agents for enterprise clients to automate meeting planning/scheduling and legacy code updates using Neo4j
- Created a C# chatbot and implemented persistent memory using context-free grammar to extract and store user data
- Improved LLaMA's text generation by integrating Outlines for more structured and desired chatbot outputs

Web Developer Intern

May 2024 - Sept 2024

Generis Global Partners ♂

Toronto, ON

- · Automated data cleansing via a full-stack web app (CLIP embeddings, web scraping) hosted on AWS, saving 20 hours/week
- Rebuilt 15 websites to increase traffic and SEO by 35% using Google Analytics and marketing team mockups
- Built a Chrome extension to parse emails via Flask for updated website content, accelerating development time by 73%

Projects

Siri Intelligence & | SQLite, Whisper, Gemini Flash, Spotify API, PlayAI API, Core Location

- Created an agentic MacBook voice assistant to control system settings and calendar events, play music, write emails and more
- Built chain-of-thought reasoning with Gemini to convert user requests into executable AppleScript commands
- Automated iMessage replies via few-shot prompting and tracked high-frequency phrases using SQLite to replicate user's style

AI Wearable for SOS (Hackthe6ix) 🖾 | React, Flask, Auth0, MongoDB, Gemini Flash, Raspberry Pi, Hume AI, Mapbox

- Led the hardware integration of a SOS device to capture video and audio recording with a Raspberry Pi and Flask
- Generated contextual summaries of video frames via Gemini Flash and Hume AI APIs, highlighting critical threats
- Integrated real-time emergency updates on a React web app with MongoDB and Auth0 for account login management
- Developed a CNN-based audio classification model with spectrograms using TensorFlow to classify violent audio clips

Android Budgeting App & | Java, XML, Android Studio, Figma

- Developed a full-stack Android budgeting App in Android Studio, published on Google Play
- · Built a responsive and user-friendly interface with XML and Android UI/UX design principles, improving engagement
- Programmed several budgeting tools with Java to increase user savings while shopping

AI-Powered Dash Cam & | OpenCV, Numpy, HERE Maps, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, React, SQLite, Roboflow

- Developed low-latency geolocation algorithms to detect vehicle speed/turns, road violations and speed cameras
- Implemented real-time traffic light and road sign detection from live dashcam footage using YOLOv8, Flask and FFmpeg
- Improved CNN model accuracy on low-quality frames via relative positioning, color masking and Hough transforms