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Education

University of Pennsylvania

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Master of Science in Engineering: Computer & Information Science

Cumulative GPA: 3.52/4.0

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

May 2018

Bachelor of Science: Computer Science dual Mathematics

Cumulative GPA: 3.97/4.0 (Summa Cum laude)

Coursework/Skills

Advanced Mathematics& Statistics: Modern data mining, Mathematical Statistics, Mathematical Models of Operation Research, Computational Optimization, Linear Algebra

Advanced Computer Science: Software Systems, Database & Info Systems, Network, Big Data Analytics, Operating System, Machine Learning, Intro to AI, Programming Language, Natural Language Processing

Programming: Proficient in C/C++, Python, SQL, Java, Matlab, MongoDB, Neo4j, R, Haskell, Prolog

Intern

Twitch (Amazon)

San Francisco, Jun-Aug. 2019

Video Transcoder Team(Golang), *Engineering Intern*

- Reduce end-to-end latency for live video streaming with WebRTC

Selected Projects

Streaming Music Service (Python)

Apr-May. 2019

- Designed and implemented a protocol to build a streaming music service for multiple clients via TCP
- Client could retrieve a list of songs that are available on the server, play the song with specified song id or name, download songs after receiving all the data, switch and stop songs simultaneously

PennCloud (C/C++)

Oct-Dec. 2018

- Built a cloud platform with its webmail and storage service, analogous to Gmail and Google Drive
- A set of frontend servers can be accessed with browsers and users are able to interact with the services
- A distributed storage system in the backend, home to storage of all state and key-value store abstractions, is built to guarantee the consistency of storage by achieving load balancing and fault tolerance

Food for thought (Full stack)

Oct-Dec. 2018

- Developed a webpage which recommends Airbnb homes in NYC to users based on their food preference and food options in the neighborhoods, with data from Airbnb and Yelp, stored on cloud hosting (AWS)
- Users are able to customize their home preferences, including price range and choice of neighborhood
- Results are shown on Google Maps, where users are able to be directed to webpages of the Airbnb homes, as well as nearby restaurants. Altogether, users can integrate food and homes into plans, and bookmark them in their accounts

Image-News Matching System (Python)

Feb-May. 2018

- Developed a system that can be used to match news story and news photos
- Used TF-IDF (Term Frequency Inverse Document Frequency) to extract best selections of key phrases to describe the news and
- Matched the results of photos and news stories via image captioning, as well as key phrase extraction

Research

Iris Recognition (Python)

July-Aug. 2018

- Given an eye image, extracted the iris section and compared with original iris data to verify user identity
- Used traditional computer vision method to recognize and capture the Iris from eye images
- Removed noises, such as reflection in pupils and glasses by distinguishing relative pixel color

Professional Experience

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant: Intro to Algorithm, Mathematical Statistics, Foundations of Computer Science and Beginning Prog for Engineers