# QIWEN ZENG

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## Experience

#### ML Research Contributor

Jan 2025 - Present

Quantitative Finance Research Initiative

Remote

- Developing research on **financial forecasting models**, leveraging Hidden Markov Models (**HMM**) and Long Short-Term Memory (**LSTM**) networks to explore predictive methodologies.
- Building data pre-processing pipelines for large-scale financial datasets, focusing on feature engineering.
- Exploring and implementing various ML methods for time-series analysis and pattern recognition.

## AG Mednet (Software Engineer in Test Intern)

May 2023 - Aug 2023

New Judi - Clinical Trials Platform Testing

Boston, MA

- Reduced post-release defects by 20% by developing test plans and cases from requirements and specifications.
- Cut manual testing time by 40% by automating BDD test scripts with Selenium (with Java) and Cucumber.
- Improved deployment efficiency by 25% by integrating automated tests into the CI/CD pipeline using Jenkins.
- Conducted product testing using PostgreSQL for database validation, identifying key areas for improvements.
- Logged and tracked defects in Jira, provided detailed information to assist faster issue resolution by developers.

## IBM (Software Engineer Intern)

June 2020 - Aug 2022

Full Stack Development: Baker Tilly International Full-Stack Inventory Management System

Remote

- Reduced operational time by 50% with an inventory system for managing warehouse, engaging over 2000 people.
- Improved report generation speed by 35% by implementing a Vue.js dashboard for real-time decision-making.
- Optimized API response time by 30% via Redis caching, reducing database load for large-scale transactional data.
- Engineered RESTful APIs with Spring Boot, integrating RabbitMQ with message batching & prefetching.
- Implemented JWT-based authentication and authorization for secure user management and role-based access control.
- Optimized CI/CD pipeline by containerizing services with **Docker** for faster and reproducible deployments.

### Data Engineering: FAW-Volkswagen Intelligent Platform

- Analyzed behavior data across 9 countries to build user portraits for a car platform recommendation system.
- Improved recommendation accuracy by 20% with hybrid models (collaborative & content-based filtering).
- Increased click-through and conversion rates by 15% through A/B testing and model optimization.
- Applied NLP for sentiment analysis and topic modeling on transcribed voice logs to enhance personalization.

### Technical Skills

Languages: Databases:

Java, Python, JavaScript, C#/.NET, C/C++, R MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Redis, RabbitMQ

Backend: DevOps:

Spring Boot, Node.js, Express.js, Flask, Elasticsearch Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, Git, Jenkins, Jira

Frontend: Others:

React.is, Vue.is, TypeScript, TailwindCSS GraphQL, Swagger, Postman, Tableau, ArcGIS

Projects

Jobify: Job Application Tracking React, Node.js, Express.js, MongoDB

Mar 2024 - May 2024

- Developed a website where users can register, track applications and generate statistics for better management.
- Designed user interfaces with **React**, used **React Router** for seamless page transitions and nested pages.
- Built a backend with Node.js/Express.js, handling user management and CRUD operations with Mongoose.
- Handled requests and responses with **Axios**, implemented various configurations for data retrieval and manipulation.

### Education

Tufts University, Master's in Computer Science

 $\mathbf{Sept}\ \mathbf{2021}-\mathbf{Feb}\ \mathbf{2024}$ 

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Master's in Civil Engineering

Sept 2019 - Dec 2020

Fuzhou University, Bachelor's in Civil Engineering (Water Resources Track)

Sept 2015 - Jun 2019