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Education

University of California, Berkeley

Expected Class of 2021

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

University of California, Berkeley

Class of 2020

Bachelors in Computer Science; 3.84 GPA (Magna Cum Laude)

Relevant Coursework:

Computer Graphics, Image Processing and Computer Vision, Algorithms, Data Structures, Computational Color, Artificial Intelligence, Linear Algebra, Data Science, Discrete Math and Probability, Computer Architecture, Circuit Analysis

Work Experience

Microsoft Redmond, WA

Gaming Program Manager Intern

May 2020 - Present

- Drive Xbox PC expansion by identifying potential opportunities within discounting, selection, and social drivers for PC clients
- Identified two key social features (# of hours played listed w/ user reviews and playtime requirement to submit reviews) for proof of concept, continually collaborating with PMs and SWEs to draft experiment proposals and provide strategy recommendations

Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Computer Graphics Researcher (with Professor Carlo Séquin)

Jan 2019 – Present

• Develop procedural 3D CAD tools (Non-Orientable Manifold Editor) and conduct research on computational geometry (i.e. advanced shape generators and shape eversions), cellular automaton, and reaction-diffusion systems

Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Computer Graphics & Imaging Student Instructor (course link: https://cs184.eecs.berkeley.edu/sp20)

Jan 2020 - Present

• Taught weekly section w/ average attendance of 40 students (most attended section), lead biweekly project "parties" and review sessions, graded course assignments, answered questions on course Piazza, and wrote exam questions

Microsoft Redmond, WA

Finance Business Intelligence Intern

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Incorporated PowerBI Q&A feature to existing ML forecast dashboards and led several workshops demoing its uses, resulting in several team members adopting the feature for other dashboards
- Applied OpenCV morphological functions to remove noise in CVL documents and improve CVL's table recognition capability
- Interviewed dozens of stakeholders to document current business rhythms and provide recommendations to automate dashboards

Microsoft Financial Data Management Intern

Redmond, WA

May 2018 – Aug 2018

• Developed and introduced a weighted scoring system for inefficient expense accounts that was adopted by the Financial Data Management (FDM) team, significantly reducing the amount of manual account repurposing work needed

- Implemented SQL queries directly connected to Microsoft's P&L database to generate large data sets (~100 million rows) containing financial transaction details, and identified over 700 expense accounts in Microsoft's CoA that could be blocked
- Synthesized CoA analysis into an article detailing CoA optimization efforts, read by over 5000 Microsoft employees

Projects

3D Snow Simulator

• Built an advanced snow simulator using Disney's hybrid Eulerian/Lagrangian Material Point Method

Color in Nature Inspired Design

 Applied smart color schemes using RGB binning to totalistic cellular automaton and reaction-diffusion models to generate realistic animal textures

Pathtracer

• Implemented a physically based renderer using a ray tracing algorithm, incorporating ray-scene intersection, acceleration structures, physically based lighting, complex materials, environment lighting, and depth of field effects

Cloth Simulator

• Created a real-time cloth simulator using a mass and spring system, calculating forces using numerical integration and handling collisions with other objects and self-collisions to prevent cloth slipping

Transition-based Dependency Parser

• Checked projectivity of dependency trees used, created an oracle method to convert trees to configuration and action pairs, and used oracle data to train neural network to predict actions given a configuration

Erth.io - Live at http://erth.io.

• Assisted with graphics development and fine-tuned physics variables for a 2D platform PVP game that has had over a million unique visitors and is sponsored by AddictingGames, Inc.

Skills and Tools

- Python Experienced, with over 10 Python projects completed from scratch and over a dozen course projects
- C++ Basic, a year of experience contributing to a large C++ codebase, but still learning this language
- JavaScript Basic, completed ~5 graphics projects using p5.js around 1.5 years ago
- Java Used, had 6 months of experience in Java but haven't used it in 2 years

Tools and Technologies: Computer Graphics, Image Processing, Computational Color, Deep Learning, NLP