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Summary

machine learning scientist, python developer, data scientist, physicist

Skills Summary

Languages: Python, Matlab, R

ML: Neural Networks, Gradient Boosted Machines

Data: SQL, Postgres

Dev: Git, Heroku, PyCharm, AWS

Python Tools: Conda, Keras, matplotlib, NumPy, OpenCV, Pandas, scikit-learn, SQLAlchemy

Work Experience

- **Startup.ML** San Francisco, CA
Machine Learning Fellow Dec 2015–Apr 2016
 - Developed a production FinTech data pipeline for algorithmic currency trading using XGBoost
 - Research in Reinforcement Learning for autonomous trading
 - **Harold Washington College** Chicago, IL
Adjunct Faculty Feb 2015–May 2015
 - Presented complex concepts in Astronomy at the level of the general public
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Projects

- **Kaggle** May 2015–Present
 - Competing in the “Distracted Driver” Kaggle competition with a deep convolutional neural network written in Keras/TensorFlow
 - **Master’s Thesis** UC Santa Barbara
Krechetnikov Fluid Physics Lab Dec 2013–Jun 2014
 - Incorporated a recent image processing technique for cheap 3D high speed mm-resolution measurement over a surface area of 225 cm² [profilometry repository]
 - **Bachelor’s Thesis: Drop Splash Experiment** Santa Barbara, CA
Krechetnikov Fluid Physics Lab, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering Jul 2009–Oct 2010
 - Published a peer-reviewed article¹ on the experimental and theoretical advances I developed that may have solved a 100-year puzzle in fluid dynamics
 - **Transient Optical Sky Survey** UC Santa Barbara
Lubin Lab, Dept. of Physics Sep 2008–Jun 2009
 - Collaborated on the Matlab/C data pipeline that processed 1GB of images per night
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Education

- **University of California, Santa Barbara** Santa Barbara, CA
MS Mechanical Engineering Dec 2014
 - **Northwestern University** Evanston, IL
PhD Physics Candidate Sept 2010–Mar 2012
 - **University of California, Santa Barbara** Santa Barbara, CA
BS Physics & BS Mechanical Engineering June 2010
 - Graduated with honor in both degrees, GPA: 3.7/4.0
 - Dean’s List 11/12 quarters
 - Member: Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society
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¹Hartong-Redden, R. & Krechetnikov, R. *Pattern identification in systems $S(1)$ symmetry*. Phys. Rev. E. 2011.