Saul Shanabrook

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EDUCATION

Recurse Center, Participant

January 2023 - May 2023

- Created a Python library to expose the egglog rust project as built-in Python constructs such as classes, functions, methods, and type annotations.
- Built visualizations for the egglog project using Graphviz to make the project more accessible and help with debugging rules.
- Pair programmed with other students, helping them navigate their projects and sharing my process.

University of Massachusetts, Bachelor of Science, Amherst, MA

September 2015 - December 2017

- Major: Computer Science. GPA: 3.7/4.0. Commonwealth Honors College
- Co-developed project processing congressional bills for text reuse and ideology, using maximum likelihood estimation.

PUBLICATIONS

- Shanabrook S. (2023) Egg-smol Python: A Pythonic Library for E-graphs. E-Graph Research, Applications, Practices, and Human-factors Symposium. ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation.
- Meurer A., Reines A., Gommers R., Fang Y., Barber M., Hoyer S., Mller A., Zha S., Shanabrook S., Gacha S., Lezcano-Casado M., Fan T., Reddy T., Passos A., Kwon H., Oliphant T. (2023) Python Array API Standard: Toward Array Interoperability in the Scientific Python Ecosystem. Python in Science Conference (SciPy).
- Helmuth T., Spector L., McPhee N.F., Shanabrook S. (2018) Linear Genomes for Structured Programs. In: Riolo R., Worzel B., Goldman B., Tozier B. (eds) Genetic Programming Theory and Practice XIV. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation. Springer, Cham
- Spector L., Cava W.L., Shanabrook S., Helmuth T., Pantridge E. (2018) Relaxations of Lexicase Parent Selection. In: Banzhaf W., Olson R., Tozier W., Riolo R. (eds) Genetic Programming Theory and Practice XV. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation. Springer, Cham

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer, Linea, San Francisco

March 2021 - April 2022

- As one of the first employees, helped create processes for our team work together remotely.
- Implemented human-centered design process to go from clients' needs to development work.
- Designed multiple open-source systems in Python to help data science users.

Core Contributor, Project Jupyter

March 2018 - October 2020

- Recognized as a Distinguished Contributor to the Jupyter project for consistent participation in the opensource community.
- Applied for and received Chan Zuckerberg Initiative grant to work on real-time collaboration in Jupyter-Lab.
- Helped coordinate releases of the package, triaged issues, and responded to the community on Github.
- Supported new members of the community in becoming involved.

Software Developer, Quansight

March 2018 - October 2020

- Built tools for the Array Data APIs Consortium to collect usage data of array methods based on downstream usage in other open-source libraries.
- Participated in diverse distributed open-source Jupyter community as a core contributor to JupyterLab.
- Built dataflow visualizations for the Vega library to aid in debugging and performance optimization.
- Mentored interns and new hires on JupyterLab extension development and data science in Python.
- Built open source interactive large data visualization tool integration Vega and Ibis.

Worked with a variety of clients to build custom data science tooling to meet their needs.

Researcher, Computational Intelligence Lab, Hampshire College

October 2015 - December 2017

- Profiling and creating a reproducible benchmark pipeline to help double the throughput of the experimental system for researchers.
- Redesigned our research flow, to enhance group collaboration and reproducibility, using Jupyter, Apache Parquet, and Apache Spark.
- Simplified management of our Clojure framework for genetic programming by adding support for automatic releases, testing, and documentation generation using Travis CI.

Researcher, Statistical Social Language Analysis Lab, Univ. of Massachusetts Sept. - December 2017

- Collaborated with the Fatal Encounters non-profit to create an interactive visualization of police fatalities using a React frontend, a Flask backend, and a Pandas/Numpy data pipeline.
- Improved backend responsiveness by profiling to improve pipeline and processing speeds.

Software Contractor, Burke Software, New York City

December 2014 - August 2017

- Refactored our cryptography API in Typescript to provide better type safety and usability.
- Improved reliability, concurrency, and performance of CI builds for the Lab by provisioning isolated Docker Compose builds with Gitlab CI, using Ansible
- Created Ansible and Terraform scripts to provision Mesos + Docker cluster in AWS with multi-AZ to support client's microservice architecture.
- Supervised and on-boarded new team member through video chat, working through problems together.
- Implemented a polyfill for the Web Cryptography API for Nativescript and React Native with E2E tests.

Researcher, Intelligent Coordination and Logistics Lab, Carnegie Mellon University May - August 2016

- Developed and implemented technique to find shortest path on a sphere around polygon obstacles.
- Presented in a paper, poster session, and a presentation for the lab.

Creator, lucibus: modern stage lighting control

June - August 2015

- Collaborated with other lighting designers to produce design document.
- Designed and implemented near-realtime multi-user experience using Go, React, and Cerebral.
- Constructed multi-layered continuous integration system to build and test, using Selenium, Mocha, Saucelabs, Docker, WebdriverIO, and Travis.

Website Developer, CANADA, New York City

August 2011 - August 2013

- Rewrote www.canadanewyork.com in Django, migrating data from Wordpress.
- Created full production pipeline; testing on Travis, and rollbacks with Heroku pipelines
- Spin off multiple open source libraries for Django, including django-dumper and django-simpleimages