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Interests

Data Science and Machine Learning
Computer Vision

Backend Services
Cluster Computing

Education

Stanford University

MS, Computer Science (Specialization: Artificial Intelligence)

2017 - 2019

University of Texas at Austin

BS, Computer Science, Honors (**GPA: 4.0**)

Minor, Business. Thesis: Prominent Differences in Relative Attributes

2014 - 2017

Work Experience

Riot Games – Data Science Intern – Los Angeles

2017

Worked on distributed machine learning recommendation algorithms using Python, SQL, Spark, and Hive. Built a highly efficient client-side recommendation system for League of Legends in C++ and Node.js.

Google – Software Engineering Intern – Mountain View

2016

Worked on Google Photos MapReduce backend infrastructure. Built a new storage API for MapReduce pipelines in Java, Python, and Google Cloud Dataflow.

RetailMeNot – Software Engineering Intern – Austin

2015

Built backend service that ranks coupon content displayed for store pages using Python and MongoDB. Optimized sorting algorithms to increase user engagement.

Research Experience

UT Vision Group - Undergraduate Researcher

2015 - 2017

Worked with Professor Kristen Grauman on computer vision and machine learning research focusing on visual comparisons. Wrote and defended an undergraduate honors capstone thesis.

Languages and Technologies

Java, Python, C++, SQL, MATLAB
R, JavaScript

— experienced
— familiar

Programming Projects

Face Detection

MATLAB, Python

- Multi-scale face detector using an SVM trained on histogram of gradients data
- Implemented hard negative mining to reduce false positives

Lemonade Programming Language

C++

- Collaborated in building a functional programming language and interpreter
- Features include libraries and imports, data structures, and interactive shell

Selected Coursework

Machine Learning / Computer Vision
Artificial Intelligence / Data Mining

Programming Languages / Compilers
Data Structures / Algorithms

Honors

Stanford Graduate Teaching Assistantship
UT Turing, Dean's Scholars Honors

UT Science Presidential Scholarship
UT Undergraduate Research Fellowship