# Theodore Avery

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## **Education**

# **Colorado State University**

August 2019 - May 2023

B.S. in Computer Science Minor in Chemistry GPA: 3.6

Western Undergraduate Exchange Scholarship

# **Projects**

# Multilayer Neural Network for Nonlinear-Regression

 Python program that implemented a neural network that can easily manipulate parameters and find efficient models.

#### Classification of Hand Drawn Images Using a Neural Network

 Utilized a NumPy neural network class, and applied multiple tests to optimize a model for the MNIST Dataset.

# Convolutional Neural Networks in PyTorch

 Created 1-dimensional and 2-dimensional neural network architectures with PyTorch for the MNIST data.

## **Full Stack Software Engineering Course**

 Introduced to a semester-long team full stack project that used agile software development to implement new app features.

#### File Censorship

- Built a C++ program that censors a given list of words found in a file.
- Utilized object-oriented programming with classes to organize the task.

# **Floating Point Addition**

 C program that implements mathematical functions only utilizing bit manipulation on floating point 16-bit integers.

# **Programming Skills**

Advanced - Python, Numpy, PyTorch, C, C++, Java, Python, Agile Development

Familiar - React, SQL, JavaScript, HTML, CSS

**Courses** - Data Structures, Algorithms, Software Development, Software Engineering, Systems Security, Machine Learning, Deep Learning

**Experience** 

# Organic Chemistry II Tutor - Colorado State University

January 2023 - May 2023

#### Overview:

- Helped undergraduate organic chemistry II students by leading workshops to help them understand course content and problem sets.
- Hosted office hours for students to come for personalized lessons and specific questions to help them succeed.

# **Grand Canyon River Guide** - Hatch River Expeditions

June 2015 - August 2022

#### Overview:

- Led and facilitated week-long excursions for groups of up to 30 people, navigating the Colorado River in the remote and stunning Grand Canyon.
- Took on diverse responsibilities, including driving 30-foot motorboats, delivering interpretive presentations, providing orientations, cooking meals, guiding hikes, and offering engaging entertainment throughout the journey.

#### **Key Contributions:**

- Demonstrated high-stress leadership by successfully managing and guiding new groups of people on week-long expeditions in a challenging and dangerous environment.
- Safeguarded the well-being of passengers throughout all 51 trips by effectively implementing safety protocols and providing thorough briefings on potential hazards.
- Adapted quickly to diverse situations, ensuring each trip was still enjoyable and memorable for passengers despite unexpected challenges.
- Acted as a calm and composed leader during high-pressure scenarios, such as navigating treacherous rapids and adverse weather conditions, ensuring the safety and comfort of everyone on board.
- Contributed to creating unforgettable experiences by leveraging my expertise and knowledge of the Grand Canyon, providing insightful information, and facilitating engaging activities that left a lasting impression on passengers.
- Led a team of individuals who were out of their comfort zones, fostering a collaborative and supportive environment where everyone worked together to ensure their safety and the success of the trip.
- Proactively identified opportunities for improvement through personal observations and solicited customer feedback, leveraging these insights to drive continuous enhancements for future trips.
- Acted upon feedback and suggestions from customers to implement meaningful changes, resulting in improved trip experiences and higher customer satisfaction levels.