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SKILLS

Programming Languages

Java, Python, C++, Go,
JavaScript, HTML, CSS

Frameworks

Spring, Guice,
Django, PyTorch,
Numpy, Pandas,
Scikit-learn, React.js

Distributed Systems & Big Data

MongoDB, Postgres, AWS DynamoDB,
MapReduce, Hadoop, AWS SageMaker,
SQL, NoSQL

Software Engineering

Backend development, Deployment,
Testing, API development, Automation,
Java development, Python Development,
Machine Learning

PROJECTS

Sentiment Analysis - IMDb Reviews

Mar 2020 - May 2020

- Constructed a recurrent neural network, a machine learning model that represents sequential information, to predict the sentiment of movie reviews
- Worked with the IMDb dataset using PyTorch & Scikit-learn on the AWS SageMaker cloud ML platform
- Built a lightweight web app to interact with the deployed SageMaker model

EDUCATION

B.S. Computer Science

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

Coursework

Operating Systems, Distributed Systems,
Database Systems, Compilers, Algorithms,
Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning

WORK EXPERIENCE

Self-Employed - Freelance Software Engineer

2018

- Full-stack web applications built with Django (Python) and React (JavaScript)
- Scripting, automation, & scraping in Python, Scrapy

Amazon - Backend Engineer

2017

- Developed a new backend infrastructure for the Seller Support app — help desk software used by over 300,000 Amazon sellers worldwide as well as by various teams internally (including AWS) to establish a direct line of communication between customers and Amazon representatives to resolve queries and issues
- Utilized DynamoDB for storage of over **10TB** of data (previously stored via Oracle) while increasing data processing speeds by over **30%**
- Directly saved over **\$50k** just by allowing Amazon to drop Oracle
- Modified 100+ live API backend endpoints (receiving over 10M requests per day) to interface with the new DynamoDB backend with zero disruption of service or downtime
- Technology Used: **Java**, DynamoDB, Spring, Guice, AWS

Facebook - Software Engineering Intern

2014

- Developed a new feature for Facebook Ads called Page Engagement Targeting — allowing page owners to target ‘recently engaged’ users (liked, commented, viewed, or interacted with page content within the past 90 days) for ads
- New feature was **2x as effective** (measured via clickthrough rate) as the sole existing feature for page owners at the time which targets the page’s fans & the friends of those fans
- Developed logging infrastructure in Hack to log ‘recent engagement’ with pages
- Wrote C++ backend code to automate processes which aggregated (terabytes) of raw log-form data, interpolating them into a simple data model that showed for a given page whether a given user has ‘recently engaged’
- Added JavaScript UI code to make the feature visible to advertisers
- Technology Used: **C++**, Folly, **Hack (PHP)**, **JavaScript**, React.js

University of Washington CSE - Teaching Assistant

2014

- Planned my students’ progress through a rigorous 3-month long curriculum (CSE 341, Programming Languages) that resulted in them going from basic, intro-level programming experience to gaining a deep understanding of core programming language concepts (e.g. higher-order functions, lexical vs. dynamic scope, evaluation) and proficiency in Racket, Haskell, Prolog, and Ruby

Expedia - Software Engineering Intern

2013

- Built automated deployment verification tool (which scanned logs to verify that the latest deployment didn’t introduce errors) for the lodging partner services inventory app that processes real-time inventory updates
- Tool reduced the time engineers spent on deployment verification by **75%**
- Technology Used: **Java**, Scala, JavaScript, Play Framework, Splunk API

University of Washington Networks Lab - Research Assistant

2012

- Developed and ran a censorship detection experiment — querying several thousand potentially sensitive domains taken from known blacklists (such as WikiLeaks) against publicly available DNS servers in 59 countries — to quantify the extent to which countries implement DNS blocking.
- **Co-authored publication** in Tiny Transactions on Computer Science, Vol.2 [Detecting DNS Censorship without an internal vantage point](#)
- Technology Used: **Python**, Tornado, MySQL, Bash, PlanetLab