Tom Hu

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Education

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign - *Master of Computer Science (MCS)* The University of Hong Kong - Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science CGPA: 3.84/4.3

Aug. 2022 - Dec. 2023

Sep. 2018 - June. 2022

Skills

Programming Languages: C++, Python, Java, SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, MATLAB

Tools & Libraries: Git, Linux, CMake, Docker, GDB, Numpy, Matplotlib

Experiences

Goldman Sachs - Summer Analyst

June. 2021 - Aug. 2021

- Built a program performance monitoring system and visualization dashboard using Python Dash with Plotly.
- Contributed pull requests to an internal monitoring system on the company Gitlab by optimizing program runtime.

Tencent Music Entertainment - Backend Developer Intern

Aug. 2020 - Jan. 2021

- Reconstructed a Python backend song recommendation system, reducing deployment time from 2 hours to 5 min.
- Maintained the reconstructed system by adding new features such as generating system reports, recording failure reports in MySQL databases and automating data processing using Crontab jobs.
- Resolved memory issues of a Python song recommendation program, reducing memory usage from 20GB to less than 2GB.

Derivatives China - C++ Developer Intern

Mar. 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Implemented a real-time multi-threaded market data receiving and forwarding system using C++ TCP and UDP socket with multi-threaded safe queue, heartbeat and reconnect mechanism.
- Broadcasted real-time market data to internal hosts using ZMQ Publish-Subscribe pattern and EPGM protocol, achieving broadcast bandwidth >35MB/s.
- Compressed market data using C++ **ZSTD** library and reduced broadcast bandwidth requirements by **60**%.
- Packed the data forwarding system written in C++ in a Python API with Pybind11 for other teams' use.

The University of Hong Kong - Research Assistant - Prof. Reynold C.K. Cheng

May. 2022 - Sep. 2022

- Conducted experiments on HINCare, a Heterogeneous Information Network (HIN)-based recommendation systems for elderly care, to explore the accuracy and performance of recommendation models, such as TransE, TransH and TransE-KG, achieving Hit Ratio (HR) > 90% and Discounted cumulative gain (NDCG) > 0.4.
- Adapted Reinforcement learning-based Meta-path Selection (RMS) algorithm to investigate performance of meta-path-based algorithms.
- Performed massive statistical analysis on Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Tseung Kwan O Aged Care Complex (SKH) and Christian Family Service Center (CFSC) elderly dataset with 1500+ users and 25000+ relations.
- Presented research results to Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Commission officials with technical reports.

Projects

Hugo Blog - A personal blog recording competitive programming algorithms and contest editorials

- Built a Hugo blog with theme Even, customized configuration, page layout and styles with CSS, Javascript and Hugo shortcuts.
- Implemented CF-Problems with HTML, CSS and JavaScript, which is a tool for showing CodeForces problem difficulties and tracking training progress. GitHub Actions is used to automatically update CodeForces problems every day.
- Wrote ~80 blog posts (in Chinese), recording ACM-ICPC contest editorials and competitive programming algorithm tutorials such as Network Flow, Persistent segment tree, Generating Functions, Convex Hull DP.
- Received 35000+ visits (with 19000+ unique visitors).

Other Activities

Awards: The 2019 ICPC Asia Shanghai Regional Contest Bronze prize

2019, 2021

2019

Dean's Honors List

Extracurricular: Shenzhen Junior Chess Tournament Champion 2010, 2011, 2014