

# Zhucheng (Michael) Tu

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## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

Proficient:

Python • C/C++ • Java  
JavaScript • SQL

Familiar:

Scala

### SOFTWARE

ML/Deep Learning:

PyTorch • NumPy  
Pandas • scikit-learn

Data:

Hadoop • Hive • Spark  
Presto • Elasticsearch

Databases:

PostgreSQL • MySQL  
Redis • MongoDB

Web and Mobile:

Flask • Pyramid • Node.js  
AngularJS • React • Android

Others:

Git • Vim • AWS • Azure  
Docker • Thrift • Protobuf

## EDUCATION

### UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

MMATH THESIS

AREAS: INFORMATION RETRIEVAL/NLP  
May 2017 - Apr 2018 | Waterloo, ON

### UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

BACHELOR OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING,  
DEAN'S HONOUR'S LIST  
Sept 2012 - Apr 2017 | Waterloo, ON

## LINKS

GitHub [github.com/tuzhucheng](https://github.com/tuzhucheng)

LinkedIn [ca.linkedin.com/in/tuzhucheng](https://ca.linkedin.com/in/tuzhucheng)

## ACTIVITIES

- Teaching assistant for CS 451 (Data-Intensive Distributed Computing), CS 486 (Intro to AI) and CS 245 (Logic and Computation)
- Math Faculty Orientation Leader (Sep 2015)
- The Analytics Edge* Kaggle competition - ranked in top 21% (Aug 2015)
- MathSoc and Class Representative for Software Engineering (2013)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### UBER | SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN / CO-OP, RISK

August - December 2016 | San Francisco, CA

- Engineered features for machine learning models to combat promotion fraud.
- Implemented text classification model to classify spammy names.

### FACEBOOK | DATA ENGINEERING INTERN

January - April 2016 | Menlo Park, CA

- Built data pipelines and visualizations using Hive, Presto, and React for Insights product to help businesses make data driven decisions on Instagram.
- Researched methodologies to rank posts for an audience to boost relevance.

### REFLEKTION | SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN, MACHINE LEARNING TEAM

April - August 2015 | San Mateo, CA

- Improved similar and trendy product ranking for recommender system.
- Led implementation and helped design data normalization module in Python.

### REFLEKTION | SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN, ANALYTICS TEAM

August - December 2014 | San Mateo, CA

- Implemented an experiment framework, integrated with Kafka/Storm pipeline.
- Prototyped a monitoring and alerting system using StatsD, Graphite, and Cabot.
- Wrote analytics APIs, improved Elasticsearch query speed by up to 5x.

### BLACKBERRY | SOFTWARE DEVELOPER CO-OP, WEB SERVICES

January - April 2014 | Waterloo, ON

- Built mobile device management services using the Spring framework in Java.

## PUBLICATIONS

- J. Lin, Z. Tu, M. Rose, and P. White. Prism: A wireless access point for proxy-based web lifelogging. In *Proceedings of the first Workshop on Lifelogging Tools and Applications*, pages 19–25. ACM, 2016.
- R. Sequiera, G. Baruah, Z. Tu, S. Mohammed, J. Rao, H. Zhang, and J. Lin. Exploring the effectiveness of convolutional neural networks for answer selection in end-to-end question answering. In *Proceedings of the SIGIR 2017 Workshop on Neural Information Retrieval (Neu-IR'17)*, 2017.
- R. Tang, W. Wang, Z. Tu, and J. Lin. An experimental analysis of the power consumption of convolutional neural networks for keyword spotting. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1711.00333*, 2017.
- Z. Tu, M. Crane, R. Sequiera, J. Zhang, and J. Lin. An exploration of approaches to integrating neural reranking models in multi-stage ranking architectures. In *Proceedings of the SIGIR 2017 Workshop on Neural Information Retrieval (Neu-IR'17)*, 2017.

## AWARDS

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| 2017 | Nominated for Jessie W.H. Zou Memorial Award for Undergraduate Research |
| 2017 | Math Domestic Graduate Student Award                                    |
| 2017 | University of Waterloo Graduate Scholarship                             |
| 2012 | President's Scholarship of Distinction                                  |
| 2012 | University of Toronto National Book Award                               |