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EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Madison, WI

B.Sc. (Hons) in Computer Science; GPA: 3.98/4.0

Aug. 2020 - Dec. 2024

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer

March. 2023 – Sep. 2023

 $Niedenthal\ Emotions\ Lab$

Madison, WI

- Leveraged drone footage and object detection models to track marching band members during practice.
- Increased annotation throughput by 5 times with model-assisted labeling using Labelbox.
- Achieved 66 mAP on locating and tracking 286 band members with a Faster-RCNN model.
- Improved the **open-source Detectron2** framework to enable dense and small detection by adapting anchor box scales and aspect ratios and customizing the COCO evaluator.

Research Assistant

Jan. 2023 – Present

Video Lab; Advisor: Prof. Yin Li (Computer Vision)

Madison, WI

- Renovated the **open-source Ego4D** directory and streamlined the **video feature extraction** pipeline to extract video features with various mainstream models such as I3D, SlowFast, EgoVLP, CLIP, etc.
- Reduced 20% of running time and 70% of memory usage by customizing an iterable dataset and distributing workload across subprocesses.

Software Engineering Intern

July. 2022 – Sep. 2022

Zebra Technologies Corporation

Taipei, Taiwan

- Developed an Android application that is used in testing the touch screens of Zebra Touch Computer Series.
- Automated screen failure detection by triggering notifications on ghost touches, eliminating need for manual monitoring and increasing labor efficiency.
- Worked collaboratively with the Electrical Engineering team to improve the UI design of the app.

Teaching Assistant

Sep. 2022 – May 2023

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Madison, WI

- Selected as a teaching assistant for both "Intro to Artificial Intelligence" and "Database Management Systems".
- Held more than 80 hours of office hours and facilitated more than 200 students on programming assignments.

Projects

Emotion Generation with 3D Face model | PyTorch, Computer Vision

Jan. 2023 - May 2022

- Researched on facial expressions in real-world videos to identify patterns for improved emotion classification.
- Modeled facial expressions with 3D Face models and applied Generative models for clustering
- Built the facial feature extraction pipeline and benchmarked the results for GMM and K-Means.
- Developed an application that can Generate 3D Faces with specified emotion.

Human-Aligned Vision Model | NLP, Data Analysis, Computer Vision

Jan. 2023 - May 2022

- Demonstrated that models trained with **semantic labels** exhibit stronger alignment with human judgments compared to those trained with traditional methods.
- Built a **Python pipeline** that streamlined the interactions with **Large Language Models** such as GPT and FLAN for Cognitive Science Researchers. Paper written on top of this project was accepted to **EMNLP 2023**.

Real-Time Sign Language Translation | Python, PyTorch, Flask

Sep. 2022 - Dec. 2022

- Developed a Computer Vision application that recognizes American Sign Language characters at 97% accuracy.
- Utilized Mediapipe API and ResNet18 for sign language classification to achieve strong real-time performance.

$\mathbf{DevJobBoard} \mid \mathit{React\ Native}$

Jan. 2023 – April 2023

- Developed a mobile job search app with React Native, integrating J-Search API for convenient user experience.
- Developed custom hooks to dynamically retrieve updated developer job listings from platforms including LinkedIn, Indeed and Glassdoor.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python (PyTorch, OpenCV, pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib), Java, C/C++, SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS Developer Tools: Git, Docker, Apache Spark, Hadoop, AWS, Google Cloud Platform, VS Code, Eclipse