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### **EDUCATION**

B.S. in Computer Science

Sep 2018 – March 2022

University of California, Irvine, CA

Overall GPA: 3.78/4, GPA in Major: 3.82/4 (Dean's Honor List)

## **TOOLS**

Technical skills: Python, C, C++, Assembly, MySQL, HTML, R, LaTex

Documentation: MS Word, PowerPoint, Excel

### **COURSEWORK**

Calculus, Boolean Algebra & Logic, Discrete Math for CS, Linear Algebra, Data Structure and Algorithm, Computer Organization, Software Engineering, Information Retrieval, Artificial Intelligence, Data Management, HCI, Computer Networks, System Design, Data Mining, Information Visualization

# **PROJECTS EXPERIENCE**

Build Search Engine (Python)

- Built the inverted index from the tokenizer where the tokenizer has the functionality of removing stop words, identifying tokens using RegEx
- Wrote a search engine that's capable of handling huge number of documents/web pages and returning the top 5 relevant pages (URLs) in 200ms based on the tf-idf calculation and cosine similarity measure
- Designed the GUI for our search engine, and facilitated team meetings to communicate project status

### Othello AI (C++) / Checkers AI (Python)

- Wrote AIs that were capable to choose reasonable moves by the tree-based, MCTS, UCB algorithm
- Applied optimizations to AIs, including strengthening the evaluation function and did simulation to help modify the function and boost the win rate

### Networked Client/Server Application (C)

- Wrote client and server programs which can run as two separate processes invoked by the user in a shell
- Applied the knowledge of socket and connections to complete the program that can receive the query and respond with a message containing the requested information

#### Data Structure & Machine Learning

- Demonstrated proficiency with algorithms and data structures through implementations of linked lists, hash tables, AVL trees, priority queues, BFS, DFS etc.
- Utilized SQL to create a database as well as code procedures, views, triggers, and queries
- Trained a Random Forest/Neural Network model through optimizing the hyperparameters such as max depth/iteration, min split, hidden layers, and activation function

## RELATED EXPERIENCE

### Lab Tutor for Intermediate Programming (UC Irvine)

March 2020 - June 2020

- Monitored lab activity with TA for up to 50 students at a time
- Performed basic software troubleshooting
- Assisted students to debug, guided students to explore and solve problems from their existing code

#### Learning Assistant of Discrete Math Course (UC Irvine)

*January* 2021 – *March* 2021

- Held weekly office hours answering students' questions
- Cooperated with lead professor to create exam for students

### **LEADERSHIP**

UC Irvine, Taiwan National Organization

Summer 2019 - Present

Chief Marketing Officer

- hosted the events which had more than 100 participants
- headed the marketing strategy, graphic design, social media management, member recruitment