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## SKILLS

### Programming

Python  
Java  
Javascript  
C/C++  
Matlab/Simulink  
Unix  
HTML/CSS  
SQL/NoSQL  
R

### Data Analytics and ML

PyTorch  
OpenCV  
Tensorflow  
Scikit-learn  
NumPy  
Matplotlib  
Pandas

### Others

AWS  
Microsoft Azure  
Docker  
Git  
Arduino  
Django

### Languages

Mandarin  
English  
Spanish

## COURSEWORK

Machine Learning  
Distributed Systems  
Computer Systems  
Data Structures  
Algorithms Analysis  
Software Engineering  
Neural Data Analysis  
Neural Computations  
Cognitive Robotics  
Theoretical Computer Sciences  
Human Information Processing and Artificial Intelligence

## EDUCATION

**Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, PA August 2018–May 2021  
Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience and Computer Science  
GPA: 3.5/4.0 (University Honor)

## EXPERIENCE

### Amazon Alexa, Seattle, WA

#### Software Development Engineer I

July 2021 – Present

- Developed and launched Alexa Together, a subscription service that offers elder care and urgent response using Alexa devices.
- Worked as a part of the on-call rotation, responded to customer-impacting issues 24/7 after investigating the root cause and diving deep into the code source, pushed the corresponding fix and reported to the Alexa team

### Technology for Effective and Efficient Learning Lab (TEEL Lab), Pittsburgh, PA

#### Machine Learning Course Development Intern

December 2020 – June 2021

- Developed the in-progress **AI practitioner** online course infrastructure that enables project-based learning through auto-graded projects that provide contextualized feedback.
- Incorporated social learning reflection and feedback cycles for each project, timed and role-based online group learning exercises, and rubric-driven peer code-review activities.

## PROJECTS

### VQA-VizWiz Challenge

October 2020 – December 2020

- Improved the peak accuracy and efficiency of a baseline algorithm for **VQA-VizWiz Challenge in PyTorch**, a project designed to answer visual questions asked by the blind people.
- Implemented an **optical character recognition (OCR)** component to the feature extraction, and experimented with various architecture design choices in feature abstraction and question processing using **ResNet-152, Vision Transformer, LSTM and GRU**. Reduced the training time by 30% with 57.81% peak validation rate.

### Partial Cube Detection

March 2020 – May 2020

- Designed, with team, an **open-source computer vision two-class classifier** with **two-layer convolutional neural network** that allows a mobile robot to recognize a partial cube within the camera frame, and turn to face the cube, and raised the final cross validation rate to 98.75%

### Texas Hold'em Player AI 'Jaja'

September 2019 – December 2019

- Designed a **Texas Hold'em Player AI** using **Matlab** that can **learn the playing patterns of other players from past trials and recognize bluffing behaviors** and then **devise the corresponding strategy** to achieve an overall 85% winning rate.
- Placed the 1st in the final Texas Hold'em AI tournament.