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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Toronto, ON

BASc in Industrial (Systems) Engineering

• Minors: Artificial Intelligence and Business

Sept. 2023 - Apr. 2027

EXPERIENCE

Systems Optimization Engineer

May 2025 - Sep. 2025

University Health Network (UHN)

Intern - Toronto, ON

- Built a discrete-event simulation to model patient care flows, enabling testing of optimal scheduling strategies.
- Developed and fine-tuned machine learning and LLM models to extract simulation parameters from historical data.
- Validated simulation logic with clinical stakeholders to match real-world surgical workflows.

Program Management Analyst

May 2025 - Sep. 2025

Intern - Toronto, ON

Bombardier Aerospace

- Tracked and analyzed KPIs for senior management, ensuring data accuracy, alignment, and actionable insights.
- Developed detailed business cases, optimized schedules, and conducted risk assessments to support project changes.
- Designed a generic requirements library, streamlining program management and accelerating supplier negotiations.

Machine Learning Engineer

Nov. 2024 – Present

University of Toronto Aerospace Team (UTAT)

Intern - Toronto, ON

- Leading a research project on predictive maintenance and risk assessment for unmanned aerial systems.
- Reviewed state-of-the-art methods and evaluated machine learning approaches for system failure prediction.
- Collected and analyzed flight data to inform selection and implementation of predictive algorithms.

Project Manager

Sep. 2023 – Dec. 2023

Hart House

Intern - Toronto, ON

- Led a cross-functional team using Agile methodologies, managing Gantt charts to track progress against deadlines.
- Delivered weekly status reports to stakeholders, ensuring alignment with project milestones and expectations.
- Evaluated wayfinding solutions for Hart House using morphological and Pugh charts to finalize a design.

Projects

WARP Shoes Production Scheduling Optimization | Python (NumPy, pandas) SQL, AMPL

2024

- Built ETL pipelines using Python, pyodbc, and pandas to load demand data from Access (.mdb) databases.
- Integrated AMPL files into a Gurobi-powered MIP model for automated schedule optimization.
- · Conducted sensitivity analysis using shadow prices and constraint slacks for robust decision-making.

Metaheuristic TSP Solver | Python (NumPy, pandas, Folium)

2024

- Transformed raw coordinates and distance matrices into model-ready formats using a custom ETL process.
- Reduced route length by over 50% in a 40-city TSP using a metaheuristic ensemble approach.
- Visualized routing results on a Folium map with interactive overlays for step-by-step analysis.

Drone Pathfinding Simulation | Python, ROS, PX4, Gazebo, Linux

2024

- Developed a ROS/Gazebo simulation in Python on Linux for IR emitter-based drone proximity tracking.
- Designed and integrated real-time drone proximity data publication, enhancing simulation accuracy.
- Simulated and benchmarked wayfinding algorithms (e.g., Dijkstra's, A*) in drone navigation scenarios.

Gradient Descent Optimizer | Java, Python (NumPy, Matplotlib, Plotly)

2024

- Designed a flexible architecture to experiment with optimization algorithms in high-dimensional spaces.
- Developed a visualization pipeline for interpreting 2D and 3D loss landscapes in gradient descent scenarios.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

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

Libraries: NumPy, pandas, Matplotlib, SimPy, PyTorch, SciPy, sklearn, Plotly, Dash, GPyTorch, Gurobi

Tools: Git, GitHub, Linux, VS Code, Microsoft Office Suite (Excel, Access, PowerBI, Power Apps, Power Automate)