# Zexi Han

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## **PROFESSIONAL SKILLS**

Programming Languages: C++, Python, Java, JavaScript, R, MATLAB

**Web Development:**Node.js, Spring Boot, Redis, Memcached, Zookeeper, MySQL, MongoDB, Cassandra, React, Angular Libraries and Frameworks:
MapReduce, Linux, AWS, Docker, Git, PyTorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, PCL, ROS, Pandas, scikit-learn

#### **EDUCATION**

Northeastern University, Boston, MA, USA

Jan 2017 - May 2019

Master of Science in Data Science

GPA 3.8 / 4

Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, Beijing, China

Sept 2012 - Jun 2016

Joint Program with Queen Mary University of London

GPA 3.5 / 4

Bachelor of Science in Telecommunications Engineering with the First Class Honors

Awards: Outstanding Final Thesis (Rank top 2%)

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Software Engineer, Suning Commerce R&D Center | Applied Al Lab, Palo Alto, CA

Aug 2019 – Aug 2020

Area: Computer Vision, 3D Deep Learning | Project: Point Cloud Object Detection, Video Content Understanding

- Led applied research of the SOTA point cloud pedestrian detection and tracking algorithms for automated convenience stores; the model was optimized to reach an average precision of 0.93.
- Developed large-scale 3D pedestrian detection datasets in an iterative and evolutive annotation process.
- Optimized the speed of the associated real-time point cloud preprocessing/postprocessing from seconds to milliseconds in <u>C++</u>.
- Achieved automatic short video tagging by integrating OCR, image classification, and face recognition modules.
- Created CRUD RESTful service APIs using <u>Flask</u> and <u>MySQL</u> to access video tagging data updated on a daily basis.

### Data Scientist Co-op, Rue Gilt Groupe, Boston, MA

Jan 2018 - Jun 2018

Area: Machine Learning, Data Engineering | Project: Reseller Identification

- Worked on feature engineering and <u>XGBoost</u> model training from an iterative perspective to identify resellers from over 2 million buyers, which was put into production to provide resellers with personalized boutique recommendations.
- Built docker apps for the pipeline of feature extraction, model training, and inference, and deployed to Amazon ECS and Airflow.
- Maintained daily <u>ETL</u> process for the recommendation system with <u>robust SQL</u> on <u>Snowflake</u>.

# Research Assistant, National Laboratory of Pattern Recognition, Beijing

Aug 2015 - May 2016

Area: Deep Learning, Mobile App Dev | Project: Visual Search

- Designed and built a Three-stage Hybrid <u>Visual Search</u> Framework (Classification, Object Detection and Matching) to the task of same-sku product image retrieval with convolutional neural networks (CNN).
- Evaluated the performances of multiple <u>CNN</u> backbones on Taobao 5M commercial product images using <u>Caffe</u>.
- Developed the backend of demo mobile application and achieved real-time image retrieval performance.

# **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

#### **Self-Driving Car System Integration, Udacity**

Jan 2020 - May 2020

- Integrated perception, path planning and control modules in <u>ROS</u> to maneuver a simulated autonomous vehicle on road while being able to stop at red traffic lights, change lines, and safely overtake vehicles in front.
- Identified the lane boundaries from a front-facing camera with image distortion correction and gradient thresholding techniques.
- Finetuned pretrained <u>CNN</u> models for <u>transfer learning</u> with <u>TensorFlow</u> to recognize traffic signs.
- Applied <u>Extended Kalman Filter</u> in <u>C++</u> for <u>sensor fusion</u> to predict locations of other vehicles with certainty.

### TuneS - Social Music Website, NU

Feb 2019 – Jun 2019

- Developed a single page application using <u>MERN</u> stack and <u>Spotify Web API</u> that serves for music fans to engage with other music lovers and discover new songs, albums, and artists.
- Handled OAuth authorization, like/share/follow functions with a RESTful API built in Express and MongoDB backend.
- Improved database <u>concurrency</u> performance by integrating <u>Redis</u> as cache for counters, music charts, and other services.
- Designed and developed a responsive and interactive <u>React</u> frontend utilizing <u>Bootstrap</u> and <u>AJAX</u> techniques.

### TripElf - Interactive-Map Web App with Neighborhood-Level Airbnb Review Summarization, NU

Jan 2019 - Apr 2019

- Proposed and developed an application to help travelers pick their favorite short-term rental neighborhoods before traveling by demonstrating the machine-generated overviews of the neighborhoods.
- Implemented an interactive map frontend with <u>React</u> and <u>Mapbox GL JS</u> for demonstration of neighborhood profiles.
- Experimented to optimize the <u>scalability</u> by horizontal data <u>sharding</u> with consistent hashing for the <u>Cassandra</u> database.
- Applied text models, such as <u>KL-Sum</u>, <u>LDA-Sum</u> and <u>ELMo</u>, to summarize Airbnb reviews and generate neighborhood overview
  of different aspects from travelers' point of view, including entertainment, noise, safety, transit, expense, and host review.

# Parallel Matrix Multiplication in MapReduce, NU

Oct 2018 - Dec 2018

- Implemented parallelization mechanisms for large matrix multiplication in <u>MapReduce</u> in distributed settings, including Horizontal-Vertical Partitioning and Vertical-Horizontal Partitioning for synthetic dense and sparse matrices.
- Measured speedup and scalability performance for the two intelligent partitioning methods on Amazon EMR and S3.