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**Education**

**National University of Singapore Aug 2019 – May 2023**

Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering; Minor in Data EngineeringGPA: 4.49/5.00

* Dean’s List – Top 5% of CohortAY21/22 SEM 2

**Experience**

**Shopee – Algorithm Engineer** **Aug 2022 – Dec 2022**

*Under the Identity Verification team for the largest e-commerce platform in SEA to offer CV/ML solutions to Shopee systems globally*

* Built a Python and C++ API for mobile apps to detect identity cards with OpenCV’s Canny and Hough Line Transform
* Significantly trimmed down 99% of the SDK size by replacing the heavy OpenCV dependency with custom C++ methods
* Beefed up knowledge on mobile model shrinkage through ONNX & MNN formats, quantization and knowledge distillation
* Researched on document scanning algorithms using template matching and CNN regression models to find corners points
* Dabbled in Android development using Gradle, Java/C++ and Android Studio to deploy the models to production for clients

**SSMC, Systems on Silicon Manufacturing Company – Machine Learning Engineer** **Aug 2021 – Jan 2022**

*Semiconductor manufacturing joint venture between TSMC and NXP looking to optimize their wafer QA system and data servers*

* Leveraged on pretrained ResNet and MobileNet CNNs to classify wafer defect scans with 95% out-of-sample accuracy
* Explored online MLOps options for model deployment with an MVP Streamlit [webapp](https://share.streamlit.io/zhermin/adcs-web) before settling on the offline solution
* Architected a local “[Automatic Wafer Defect Classification System](https://github.com/zhermin/ADCS)” wrapping .h5 models in a portable Windows software
* Incentivized digitalization and enabled upwards of >90% storage reductions, translating to tens of thousands in cost savings

**ripplecreate – Machine Learning Engineer** **Feb 2022 – Apr 2022**

*Kids STEM tutoring company looking to extend microloan financing to select students with the help of student attention indexing*

* Developed deep learning and Haar Cascade OpenCV models to aggregate attention metrics on 5 to 10 student online classes
* Uploaded real-time model data to a Firebase backend served through a React frontend with live dashboards for monitoring

**Tivlon Technologies – Data Scientist & Engineer** **May 2019 – Dec 2019**

*Commodity trading consultancy looking to consolidate pricing data for analysis and visualization to offer customer value-add*

* Fed large amounts of raw Excel data containing commodities’ daily historical prices and inventory through an ETL pipeline
* Employed industry-standard BI tools such as Power BI and Tableau to [dashboard](https://bit.ly/tivlon) the connected and formatted data sources

**Projects**

**LeetNode | Next.js, Mantine UI, Tailwind, TypeScript, Prisma ORM & MySQL, FastAPI** [**GitHub**](https://github.com/zhermin/LeetNode)

* Lead a team of 4 to build an adaptive learning software under the Agile methodology using Notion and Kanban boards
* Crafted learning courses presented with Markdown and LaTeX that dynamically suggests questions of appropriate difficulty
* Estimated topic mastery using a Bayesian Knowledge Tracing hidden Markov model wrapped under a FastAPI microservice
* Productionized the Docker containerized and Redis cached model to Heroku serverless functions with exposed API endpoints

**LaidLE – Database Technology & Management (Grade: A) | Django, Bootstrap, PostgreSQL** [**App**](https://laidle.herokuapp.com/) **|** [**GitHub**](https://github.com/zhermin/LaidLE)

* Deployed a meal crowdsourcing CRUD webapp with a non-ORM raw SQL backend and session-based authentication
* Featured 4 user-groups with a custom admin panel alongside generated QR codes for unique coupon and reward allocation

**HDB Resale Price Predictor – Learning from Data (Grade: A) | Streamlit, TensorFlow, Sklearn** [**App**](https://share.streamlit.io/zhermin/hdb-resale-predictor/) **|** [**GitHub**](https://github.com/zhermin/HDB-Resale-Predictor)

* Spun up a Streamlit webapp with traditional ML and ANNs trained using 5-year historical HDB prices from Data.gov.sg

**Hackathons**

**DSTA – BrainHack (Machine Learning Hackathons) Jun 2021**

* **TIL:** Ranked 18/102 teams with PyTorch to perform object detection and sound classification on 5 to 10 different animals
* **SeeTrue:** Placed 7/53 individuals using InceptionV3 from TensorFlow and Keras to identify deepfake news in videos

**Skills**

**Programming Languages:** Python, TypeScript/JavaScript, SQL, C++, C, Assembly, Verilog

**Software Engineering:** Next.js, React & React-Query, HTML/CSS, PostgreSQL, Django & FastAPI, AWS EC2, UNIX, Git

**Machine Learning / Data Science:** TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, Scikit-Learn, OpenCV, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Plotly