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WORK EXPERIENCE

- Software Engineer Intern at the Software Engineering Institute** | Pittsburgh, PA 2022
Developed and deployed automated integration and accessibility tests for frontend with Cypress and JS. Configured Google Lighthouse to measure site performance after new code deployments with CI/CD.
- Assistant Researcher at the Batman Lab** | Pittsburgh, PA 2021
Wrote PyTorch code to produce visualizations and metrics for deep computer vision models that detected cancerous tissue in slide images.
- Software Developer Intern at Lockheed Martin** | King of Prussia, PA 2020
Worked as a Software Development intern in a team to develop and deploy collaborative coding workspaces using Docker and Kubernetes.
- Software Developer Intern at Kognition, LLC** | Philadelphia, PA 2019
Developed an algorithm in Python to track unique people in real time using optical flow, allowing for a more efficient facial recognition model.

EDUCATION

- University of Pittsburgh** | B.S. in Computer Science & B.S. in Mathematics (2023)
- GPA: 3.96/4.0
 - Honors College

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Computer Science and Mathematics

Machine Learning, Graduate Deep Reinforcement Learning and Control, Probability, Calculus I, II, & III, Data Structures and Algorithms I & II, Algorithm Design, Graduate Numerical Methods

RESEARCH/PROJECTS

- AccessibleRL** | <https://github.com/WhimsicalWill/AccessibleRL> 2022
PyTorch implementation details of 8 fundamental Deep Reinforcement Learning algorithms with detailed explanations and utilities for easily running experiments, plotting data, and saving models.
- Automated detection of premalignant oral lesions using CNNs** | Acknowledged in Oral Oncology paper 2021
Created a Python workflow using PyTorch and scikit-learn to compare predicted segmentations to a validation set of ground truth annotations by clinical experts, allowing researchers to quickly compare different models based on metrics like sensitivity and accuracy in less than 10 minutes.
- OpenDance** | <https://github.com/MyYogurt/OpenDance> 2021
Open-source dancing game built on top of the CMU OpenPose model that scores players in real time with a pose-matching algorithm to measure how well they match a selected dancing video from the internet.
- Modeling the Dispersion of the Spotted Lanternfly** | Best-in-show Chester County Science Fair 2018
Modeled and predicted the spread of an invasive insect threatening agriculture in the Mid-Atlantic region using machine learning and statistical methods.

SERVICE

- UMathIA Teaching Assistant** 2019
Organized and taught lessons for UMathIA, a math camp for ~20 middle school kids focusing on problem solving, coding, and high school math.
- Charles A. Melton Youth Center Volunteer** 2018
Led science and coding lessons for underprivileged K-8 kids while also helping to manage camp activities

SKILLS

Python, Java, C, JavaScript, React | ML/DL/AI | PyTorch, TensorFlow | Agile | Linux | Git | Cloud | CI/CD