THANG TRUONG

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EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin

Bachelor of Science in Informatics with Human-Centered Data Science concentration (GPA: 4.0/4.0) • Relevant Courses: Software Design (Python), Element of Database (SQL), Data Engineering (SQL), Element of Data Science (R), Probability 1, Intro to Computer Science (Java), Statistical Learning Inference (R), Element of Statistics • Certificates: Elements of Computing (CS minor), Applied Statistical Modeling, Statistics and Data Science minor • Awards: University Honors (6 semesters), Winner of HackTX Analog Devices Systems Track, Winner of Congressional App Challenge for Texas 2nd District

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Liberal Arts Instructional Technology Services

- Junior Software Developer | Python, R, Laravel PHP, Node JS, Docker, Tableau, WordPress Aug 2022 – Present • Enhanced UT Instapoll, an internal service orchestrating class activities for 50,000+ students at UT Austin
- Migrated **Drupal** site to a new **Laravel PHP** infrastructure with two key features of finding and posting internships.
- Revamped three websites, driving a remarkable 10% surge in user engagement rates tracked by Google Analytics data

Johns Hopkins Lab

Research Developer Android Studio, Dart, Flutter TensorFlow

- Customized ResNet-18 for feature extraction, achieving 97% accuracy with Random Forest and SVM.
- Applied pruning and 8-bit quantization, reducing model size and inference time while balancing accuracy.
- Integrated TensorFlow Lite models into a mobile app, optimizing for efficient on-device inference and real-time predictions.

UT Austin iSchool NLP Research Lab with Professor Abhijit Mishra

Research Developer |Python, Bash, SeamlessM4T

- Co-authored and implemented **PolyverseVLM**, a lightweight multilingual VLM for on-device applications.
- Developed pipelines to translate **89.6GB of data** into 28 languages using the SeamlessM4T model.
- Optimized performance using an 80M SigLIP-based vision encoder and 500M Qwen2 language model.

Claudius Legal Intelligence Inc.

Software Engineering Intern | Python, Django, Figma

- Orchestrated the overhaul of four pivotal web pages using Figma, handpicking captivating brand identity and visual language
- Executed the designs into functional prototypes seamlessly integrating Bootstrap and Django
- Streamlined graph implementation time by 25 minutes through the utilization of efficient and polished functions

PROJECTS

RoboDog Therapy – HackTX Analog Devices Winner |Python, Llama 2, OpenCV, DeepFace | Link Oct 2023 HackTX Analog Devices First Place

- Led the software development initiative to construct a simulated robotic embedded system therapy dog
- Implemented OpenCV for image processing, Llama2 for text generation and DeepFace for emotion detection
- Engineered a resilient HTTP server for efficient data transfer of five input values, enabling real-time monitoring of the robotic dog

Personalized Internship Recommendations |Python, TF-IDF, Streamlit, NLTK, Selenium, Beautiful Soup | Link May 2023

• Conducted web scraping to gather data from 1800+ job opportunities and used GitHub CI/CD pipeline to daily update data

- Applied NLP techniques, TF-IDF and cosine similarity, to align resumes with job descriptions with 80% accuracy rate
- Connected 600+ users with tailored internship opportunities, fostering career advancement and professional development

Project Z – Project Posting Full Stack Application |Vue, SQLite, Laravel PHP, HTML, CSS | Link March 2023

- Developed the seamless user experience across four pages, including the home, main page, project creation and edit pages
- Constructed a robust backend featuring four protected API calls for signing up, logging users, creating and deleting projects
- Established SOLite database with three structured tables from scratch to store user and project data

SKILLS

- Programming languages: Python, Java, Javascript, TypeScript, R, HTML, CSS, SQL
- Tools: Docker, Tableau, Jupyter Notebook, RStudio, Visual Studio Code, Git/GitHub, Stata, MATLAB
- Frameworks/Libraries: Boostrap, React, Vue.js, OpenCV, DeepFace, LLM, Node.js
- Quantitative Skills: Agile, DevOps, ETL, OOP, APIs, Hypothesis Testing, Data Storytelling, Version Control
- Work Eligibility: Eligible for STEM OPT Visa; requires sponsorship.

Austin, TX

Aug 2021 - May 2025

Remote May 2024 – May 2025

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