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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

B.S. Mathematics and B.S. Statistics & Data Science, Specialization in Computing

- Department GPA: 3.9
- Related Coursework: Python with Applications, Probability and Statistics, Linear Models, Data Analysis and Regression, Design and Analysis of Experiment, Data Structures and Algorithms, Linear Algebra.

EXPERIENCE

Kurma AI

Data Analyst Intern

- Build automated pipelines to extract raw text data and embedded images (e.g. tables, plots, figures) from research paper PDFs to train RAG and LLM models.
- Clean extract text by removing special characters, citation patterns, and formatting inconsistencies, and implement code to exclude irrelevant images (e.g., logos, blank images).
- Research and evaluate data extraction and cleaning methods to identify the most effective techniques for producing model-ready data.

Wing Cheung Co.

Cashier

- Provided friendly, accurate service to hundreds of customers during daily transactions.
- Maintained organized, customer-friendly produce displays throughout each shift.
- Memorized and recalled prices for 35+ items to ensure fast, accurate checkout.

SKILLS

Languages	Python, R, SQL, C++, PT_EX .
Technical	Git, NumPy, pandas, Matplotlib, seaborn, Plotly, ggplot2, reactable, sqlite3, Scikit-learn,
	Keras, Tensorflow, Dash, Quarto, Scrapy, Power BI, Microsoft Excel.

PROJECTS

No-Plan Pantry

- Built a web scraper using *Scrapy* to extract 15.2k recipes from allrecipes.com for model training.
- Transformed raw data using *pandas*, and tokenized recipes to train *GPT-2*.
- Used SQL to extract recipes data based on calorie range, ingredients, and time limit.
- Fine-tuned GPT-2 on curated dataset to generate recipe suggestions tailored to user-inputted ingredients.
- Designed and accomplished backend logic for *Dash* web application.

Image Classification of Cats and Dogs

- Created neural network models using *keras.sequential* to distinguish between images of cats and dogs with 96.73% accuracy, achieving an accuracy increase of 46.53% over baseline model.
- Executed strategies such as data augmentation and data preprocessing to enrich training datasets, and applied transfer learning using a pre-trained *keras.sequential model* to revamp learning efficiency.

Fake News Classification

- Standardized text data and optimized model training by batching dataset to process in chunks rather than individual rows, which enhances computational efficiency.
- Designed and trained binary classification models using *Keras* to classify news articles as real or fake.
- Fine tuned model parameters to attain 97.54% accuracy, producing a 45.2% accuracy increase over baseline model.

Dec 2025

Oct 2024 – Dec 2024

Nov 2024 – Dec 2024

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Remote

Feb 2025 - Present

San Francisco, CA

Jun 2015 – Aug 2018