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## **EDUCATION**

University of Washington, Seattle WA

- M.S. in Electrical Engineering
  - GPA: Overall 3.82/4.0
  - Coursework: Microcomputer Systems, Systems Programming, Operating Systems, Database Systems, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence for Engineer, Models of Robot Manipulations, Probability and Random Processes September 2010 – June 2014
- National Taiwan University (NTU), Taipei, Taiwan
- B.S. in Electrical Engineering
  - GPA: Overall 3.81/4.0; Major 3.86/4.0
  - Coursework: Data Structure and Programming, Introduction to Computer Networks, The design and Analysis of Algorithms\*, Mobile Phone Programming\*, Advanced Statistics (I)\*, Advanced Statistics (II)\*, Advanced Digital Signal Processing\* (\*): Graduate-level courses

## SKILLS

Programming Proficiencies: C/C++, Python, Matlab, SQL, Objective-C, Ruby, HTML/CSS/JavaScript Tools: Github, Heroku, Node.js, React.js, MongoDB, Windows Azure, Couchbase, AWS, Hadoop, Spark

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

## Grace Hopper Celebration (GHC) Scholarship Grant

• Support women in computing for attending the GHC conference. The acceptance rate is 26 percent.

# WORK EXPERIENCE

**Consulting System Integration Intern**, Ericsson Inc., Bellevue WA

- Developed GUI for monitoring and preliminary analyzing data availability in different region markets
- Acquired data from SQL database and visualized data using d3.js with AMD framework
- Teaching/Research Assistant, University of Washington, Seattle WA January 2015 – June 2016
  - Taught undergraduate level circuit classes with 20+ students
  - Designed and developed genetic digital circuits, such as bistable switch and flip-flop, in Klavins Lab September 2013 – June 2014
- Developer Intern, Cardinal Blue, Taipei, Taiwan
  - Analyzed users' behavior of PicCollage, a photo app with over 100 million downloads, and visualized the data on a dashboard using Ruby on Rails

# **SELECTED PROJECTS**

#### **UW EcoCar Infotainment Center**

November 2015 – April 2016 Develop infotainment platform on a touchscreen for vehicles to communicate with hardware and cloud services

#### Write Python programs that communicate with cloud services to deliver driving statistics

# **Job Salary Prediction (Machine Learning)**

• Applied feature selection and linear regression methods to predicting job salary from job ads in Python using dataset provided by the 2013 Kaggle Competition

# Used NLP keyword extraction tool to process the full text of job ads

- Satellite Management and Control System (Microcomputer Systems) Summer 2015
  - Used C language to develop an embedded system based on a real-time operating system with the Stellaris system Utilized APIs to access hardware in order to collect and process the data from sensors, control the peripherals such as GPIO, and make bidirectional remote communication via a simple web server and network interface

# Music Recommendation Based on Artist Novelty and Similarity, MPAC Lab, NTU Fall 2013 – Fall 2014

- Developed a novelty-based music recommendation system which provides novel and fond music to users
- The proposed system was evaluated by 106 subjects and achieves high performance
- Publication: 2014 IEEE International Workshop on Multimedia Signal Processing (MMSP).

# Mind Map (Mobile Phone Programming)

- An iOS app by which participants can record and organize their thoughts or flow of minds during brainstorming
- Learned the basic knowledge on human-computer interaction and how to create a mobile phone app

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September 2014 – December 2016 (expected)

Fall 2015

Fall 2013

July 2015

June 2016 – September 2016