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Programming Languages: Python, C++, TypeScript (React), Java

Natural Languages: English (Native)

Anticipated Graduation: Dec 2023

📚 Education

University of Western Australia	**Perth, WA**
Mathematics and Statistics BPhil (Hons) 6.9/7.0 GPA, 87.9/100.0 WAM	2020–Present

Coursework: nefsite.vercel.app/grades

💼 Experience

Diadroit	**Perth, WA**
Founder and Research Director	Jan 2022–Present

- Achieved client's research outcomes by delivering on weekly project requirements by performing data analysis, data visualisation and report generation.
- Directed the operation of research project for client by coordinating the clear communication between 5 separate departments throughout client's institution.
- Enhanced client's research impact by advising on research gaps which resulted in the application for 2 research grants.

System Health Lab	**Perth, WA**
Research Engineer	Dec 2020–Present

- Overhauled the University of Western Australia's industry advisory panel review process by developing a full-stack MERN web application from start to finish, reducing review times from multiple weeks to hours.
- Developed an institution-wide asset management system to be used by over 5000 students with the MERN stack.
- Developed masters level applied statistics workshop content alongside 2 professors at the University of Western Australia for classes of over 300 students.

University of Western Australia	**Perth, WA**
Teaching Assistant	Feb 2022–Present

- Helped run a 2nd year computer science class (CITS2401: Computer Analysis and Visualisation) for 15 hours/week by running laboratory classes and answering student questions.
- Assisted coordinators by developing 5 new assignment questions.

University of Western Australia	**Perth, WA**
Machine Learning Research Intern	Nov 2021–Feb 2022

- Increased team's understanding of research landscape in fine-grained image classification problems by writing and presenting a literature review summarising how these ideas could be transferred to a natural language processing domain.
- Progressed research goals by proposing a new ensembling method which improved accuracy across a wide range of datasets.
- Made a key insight which uncovered that one of the core machine learning systems could be overfitting. Consequently introduced a validation dataset into the pipeline to address these uncovered problems.

📖 Reading Groups and Personal Projects

Convex Optimization (Stephen Boyd and Lieven Vandenberghe)	Oct 2021–Apr 2022
Abstract Algebra (David Dummit and Richard Foote)	Jan 2022–Mar 2022
Information Theory, Inference, and Learning Algorithms (David MacKay)	Nov 2020–Oct 2021
Category Theory (Steve Awodey)	Dec 2020–Mar 2021

- Significantly matured me academically (because I failed).

Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning (Christopher Bishop)	Dec 2019–Nov 2020
CS330: Deep Multi-Task and Meta Learning (Chelsea Finn, et al.)	Jul 2020–Nov 2020

Reinforcement Learning Papers Reading Group   Mar 2020–Jul 2020

Hopfield Network Command Line Tool (C++)   Sep 2021
Coffee Production Optimisation and Analysis using Linear Programming (Scipy, Orgmode)   Jul 2021
Steam Friend Graph Explorer and Visualisation (D3.js)   Jun 2021
Personal Site (React, Next.js)   Dec 2020
Generative Adversarial Network Implementation (PyTorch, Orgmode)   Jun 2020
OpenAI Gym Reinforcement Learning Environment Package for "Spoof" (Python)   Nov 2019

🗣 Leadership

Bachelor of Philosophy Union
Vice President of Outreach   Jan 2022–Present
Summer Camp Master of Ceremonies and Co-Coordinator   Feb 2022
Coders for Causes
President   Mar 2021–Mar 2022
Committee Member   Mar 2020–Mar 2021
Volunteer/Trainee Software Developer   Dec 2019–Mar 2020
Programming Competition Society
Mentor and Trainer   Mar 2021–Present
Committee Member   Mar 2021–Mar 2022
Competitor and Student   Jul 2020–Present
Teach Learn Grow
Program Coordinator   Mar 2020–May 2020