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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of EECS Ph.D., Computer Science <i>Thesis: Collaborative, Open, and Automated Data Science</i>	2016–2021
Columbia University, Columbia College B.A., Economics-Mathematics, <i>cum laude</i>	2010–2014

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

OpenEvidence (Cambridge, MA) — Infrastructure Lead/Machine Learning Engineer • I own backend, site reliability, DevOps, infra, security, compliance, on-call (GCP, Django, Postgres, Python, GitHub Actions, Terraform, HIPAA) as the Technical Lead of the Core Engineering team • Led architecture, design, backend/data implementation for complex integration of ClinicalKey AI product, delivered from prototype to GA in 6 mo., and launching into US hospitals • Lead ML infra efforts for finetuning and inferencing large language models for healthcare • I also do recruiting, hiring, people management, and project management for Eng team	2022–pres.
Twitter (Boston, MA) — Machine Learning Engineer • Developed machine learning platform frameworks and infrastructure on the ML Pipelines team (TFX, Kubeflow Pipelines, TensorFlow, Beam, BigQuery/Dataflow) • Supported training workloads for home timeline ranking and ads prediction models (100mm samples daily) • Wisely bounced of my own free will before Elon took over	2021–2022
MIT LIDS, Data To AI Lab (Cambridge, MA) — Graduate Research Assistant • Researched ML systems, human-computer interaction, and databases, advised by Dr. Kalyan Veeramachaneni	2016–2021
Botkeeper (Boston, MA) — Machine Learning Engineer (part-time) • Led company-wide ML engineering efforts in transaction classification for accounting • Designed and implemented cross-client transaction embedding, automatic model retraining, ML metrics collection/storage/querying/reporting (Python, Tensorflow/Keras, scikit-learn, MongoDB, Kubernetes)	2019–2021
Federal Reserve Bank of New York (New York, NY) — Senior Research Analyst • Performed statistical and econometric analysis for projects including macro forecasting, monetary policy analysis, consumer expectations, and subprime mortgages (Julia, MATLAB, Stata, SQL, Python)	2014–2016

SKILLS

General	Python	TypeScript	JavaScript	Java	Bash	Julia	C++	C	Scala	MATLAB	Haskell	
ML	pandas	numpy	sklearn	tensorflow	OpenAI	pytorch	matplotlib	seaborn	keras	statsmodels	TFX	Kubeflow
Data	Postgres	MongoDB	SQL	Airflow	SQLAlchemy	Spark	Dask	BigQuery	Beam	Dataflow		
DevOps	Python packaging	Docker	k8s	GCP	terraform	AWS	Heroku	GitHub Actions/Apps	Travis CI	Gitlab CI		
Web	Django	DRF	React	Next.js	MUI	node	jinja2	HTML/CSS	pelican			
Tools	git	GitHub	GitLab	Jupyter Lab/Nb/Hub	*nix	LaTeX	make	sphinx	Bazel	invoke		

ACTIVITIES

- Open-source development: [BTB](#), [ATM](#), [AutoBazaar](#), [ballet](#), [Assemblé](#), [DSGE.jl](#), [FredData.jl](#), [repolockr](#)
- Running, biking, tennis, reading, coffee, crosswords, chess, playing with my dog Mamba

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- “Do we still need clinical language models?” CHIL 2023.
- “Enabling collaborative data science development with the Ballet framework.” CSCW 2021.
- “The ML Bazaar: Harnessing the ML Ecosystem for Effective System Development.” SIGMOD 2020.
- “Query optimization for dynamic imputation.” VLDB 2017.