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WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Machine Learning Engineer II, Technical Lead

Jul '22 - Current

Unity Technologies, Ads Engineering Team

- Optimized ad campaign valuation prediction service, which reduced the cost of operation by 15% and latency by 75%
- Effectively collaborated with globally distributed teams, delivering a new ad campaign type product to beta clients a month earlier than planned
- Architected CI/CD pipeline for ML model serving, which stopped erroneously configured ML models from being deployed to prod

Senior Machine Learning Engineer I

Apr '20 - Jul '22

Unity Technologies, Ads Engineering Team

- Architected a real-time ad unit optimization system to reduce UI experimentation risk
- Improved UI AB testing experiment practices, which increased Unity Ads net revenue by 9%
- Architected a ML system to optimize bid requests, which reduced ads exchange egress costs by 50%

Machine Learning Software Developer I

Sep '19 - Apr '20

Borealis AI, Engineering Team

Optimized ETL pipeline using Airflow to dynamically scale Spark cluster saving 96% of monthly costs

Software Developer I

Mar '18 - Sep '19

Expedia Group, Geography Team

- Built service to bulk import and deduplicate 100,000+ geographic entities using ML
- Developed a computer vision application to generate geographical boundaries from images
- Created React application to edit geometry which enabled geographers to fix 500+ polygons

Associate Software Developer

Jan '17 - Mar '18

Expedia Group, Content Systems Team

• Built image processing pipeline with Kafka which reduced the latency of image uploads by 88%

Software Developer Intern

Jan '16 - Sep '16

Expedia Group, Content Systems Team

- Migrated image processing pipeline to AWS infrastructure reducing costs by 95%
- Built a custom log-formatter to aid in issue investigation and report creation

EDUCATION

McGill University

Sep '12 - Dec '16

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

- Organized the 2016 annual McGill hackathon (McHacks) for 600+ hackers
- Represented McGill at the 2016 Ubisoft Game Lab Competition
- Completed advanced courses in Machine Learning and Computer Graphics

SKILLS

Programming

Python, GoLang, Scala, Java, JavaScript, TypeScript

Software and Frameworks

Git, Unix, GCS, AWS, Kafka, Airflow, BigQuery, Postgres, Pandas, Keras, Beam, React, Mapbox-GL, LATEX