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Summary

Applied AI researcher and former Meta software engineer experienced in LLM application development, RAG pipelines, and AI frameworks. Proficient in Python, Java, and C++. Portfolio: https://amycmyu.pages.dev/

Skills

- Languages & Frameworks: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, SQL, Java, React, Next.js, LangChain
- Concepts: Machine Learning, Generative AI, LLM Finetuning, API Integrations, Prompt Engineering, Data Pipelining, Vector Databases, Human-Computer Interaction, REST APIs
- Other: Mentoring, Communication, Presentations, Problem Solving, Debugging, Prototyping

Work Experience

• Purdue University - Research Assistant

August 2023 – December 2024, West Lafayette, Indiana, United States

- Created an LLM chat agent that could answer questions and analyze data from a large database of domain-specific knowledge. Used LangChain for multi-step reasoning.
- O Developed a RAG pipeline for name resolution using OpenAI's text embedding model.
- o Finetuned LLMs to generate valid SQL queries from natural language prompts.
- o Explored prompt engineering techniques for LLMs to generate output aligned to user needs.
- o Led user studies and analyzed data to evaluate system usability and performance.
- o Primary author of a research paper published at UIST on using LLMs to interpret and analyze domain-specific data. Presented at the UIST conference.
- o Authored a paper accepted by ASSETS on using LLMs to help blind users understand and create 3D models programmatically.

• Meta (Facebook) - Software Engineer (Facebook Search Team)

July 2019 - August 2023, Menlo Park, California, United States

- Worked on Facebook's search engine, on backend systems in Python, PHP, and C++.
- o Built and maintained ML models used in the recommendation systems for ranking typeahead suggestions with user interaction data.
- o Shipped large-scale systems that improved navigation for millions of users, leading to significant gains in user engagement.
- Designed and shipped the Structured Typeahead Suggestions feature to disambiguate typeahead results with images and snippets.
- Led the development and rollout of the Batch Mentions feature for tagging large user groups and sending scalable notifications to millions of users.
- Owned the Facebook Shortcuts feature, improving discoverability and reliability of the search results and streamlining its internal backend tools.
- o Developed scalable evaluation and logging infrastructure to analyze Typeahead performance.
- o Mentored interns and managed their cross-functional projects from ideation through launch.

• Facebook - Software Engineering Intern (Data.AI Team)

Sept 2018 – December 2018, Menlo Park, California, United States

- o Contributed to Facebook's internal data analysis infrastructure by integrating ML models to the timeseries extrapolation tool.
- o Built and shipped a Facebook video recommendation system in a company hackathon. Received Judges' Choice Award and presented to Facebook's CTO.

• Microsoft - Software Engineering Intern (.NET Runtimes Team)

May 2018 – August 2018, Redmond, Washington, United States

- Worked in C++ and C# to develop features for Microsoft's .NET compiler.
- o Developed *R2RDump*, a disassembler for .NET ReadyToRun binaries.
- o Analyzed low-level assembly code to understand the format of binary executables.
- Contributed to the multi-module compilation feature, allowing bundling of multiple .NET executables into a single optimized executable.

• Cisco Meraki - Software Engineering Intern (MR Access Point Features Team)

September 2017 – December 2017, San Francisco, California, United States

- o Developed embedded software for MR access points to enable EAP switchport authentication.
- o Implemented SSCEP-based secure certificate retrieval for access point authentication.

• IBM Canada - Software Developer Intern (J9 Virtual Machine)

January 2017 - April 2017, Ottawa, Canada

- o Worked in Java and C++ to develop features for IBM's Java Virtual Machine.
- Worked on Project Panama to enable native method handles in Java for IBM's JVM (a more secure and user-friendly alternative to JNI).
- o Added new APIs to the Java Core Library to bridge native and managed runtime layers.

• SAP Canada - Software Developer Intern (Core Infrastructure)

May 2016 - August 2016, Waterloo, Canada

- o Integrated fingerprint authentication to the SAP Kapsel Logon plugin for hybrid mobile apps.
- o Led the development of a tool to transform user-provided JSON into HandlebarsJS templates.

• Bank of Canada - Web Developer Intern

September 2015 – December 2015, Ottawa, Canada

- Developed a WordPress plugin to track and manage multimedia usage across all Bank of Canada websites.
- o Wrote PHP and MySQL scripts for large-scale data queries and content updates.

Education

• Purdue University, West Lafayette

August 2023 – December 2025

- o Master of Science, Computer Graphics Technology (in progress)
- University of Waterloo

September 2014 – June 2019

o Bachelor of Computer Science (With Distinction)

Publications

- "FathomGPT: A natural language interface for interactively exploring ocean science data." The 37th Annual ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology. 2024.
- "AllyShape: Al-Assisted 3-D Modeling for Blind and Low-Vision Programmers." The 27th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility. 2025.