Dean Biskup

EDUCATION

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

May 2022

M.S. Electrical and Computer Engineering

GPA: 3.50/4

Relevant Coursework: Computer Vision (ECE 549), Detection & Estimation Theory (ECE 561), Machine Learning for Signals (CS 545), Pattern Recognition (ECE 544NA)

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

May 2020

B.S. Electrical Engineering, Minor in Computer Science

GPA: 3.77/4

Activities and Societies: IEEE Eta Kappa Nu (HKN), ECE Student Advancement Committee (SAC)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Science Intern Summer 2021

Blue River Technology Sunnyvale, CA

Researched and developed an internal framework to perform scalable analysis of image similarity on millions
of images, using both classical and machine learning methods.

Software Development Intern

Summer 2019

Citrix Systems

Raleigh, NC

- As part of the ShareFile team, I added email functionality using an in-house ShareFile API to an existing bot deployed in Amazon Web Services. Additionally updated the bot's frameworks to the newer and cross-compatible .NET core platform, allowing the deployment to be moved from a Windows to a Linux host.
- Diagnosed and implemented fixes for 5+ customer issue and security vulnerabilities in the ShareFile Platform.

Associate Engineer Intern

Summer 2018

NIO

San Jose, CA

- Developed a Python library to automate the testing of the NIO ES8 infotainment unit, as well as log data and take pictures for later analysis.
- Developed a suite of test scripts using the above Python library to automate the testing process for environmental (DV/PV) testing. These scripts test various infotainment hardware connections and thermally stresses the CPU using time profiles based on different automotive test specifications.

Electric Powertrain Intern

Summer 2017

Lucid Motors

Menlo Park, CA

PROJECTS

Block-Matching ConvNet

github.com/dbisk/bmcn

An exploration using block-matching and CNNs for denoising

Dec. 2020

- Explores combining a Convolutional Neural Network with block-matching, inspired by the BM3D algorithm, to denoise images in PyTorch.
- The implementation achieved reasonable denoising quality (PSNR > 20dB) across a range of noise variances ($\sigma = 5$ -100), though underperformed when compared to the BM3D algorithm for specified noise variances.

SKILLS

Human Languages: English, Mandarin Chinese (fluent), Japanese (intermediate)

Programming Languages: Python, C, C#, C++, SystemVerilog

Tools and Software: PyTorch, Amazon S3/AWS, Git