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EXPERIENCE

84.51°

Senior Software Engineer

Chicago, IL November 2023 - Present

- · Build out targeting capabilities for Kroger's industry leading retail media solution, Kroger Precision Marketing
- · Set team standards and develop frameworks for Python service development among mostly Java-based team
- · Create service utilizing Snowflake to produce targeted-audience size estimations with 540x less latency, keeping clients engaged in campaign sale process

Software Engineer

- · Led creation of ML-powered FastAPI Python service recommending similar product groups, used by 90% of on-site ad campaigns, which account for \$110 million of KPM's revenue
- · Developed batch data pipelines with PySpark, using Azure Data Factory and Airflow automation
- · Owned the Audience Data Asset, an over 50-billion-record collection of ad targeting history used for measurement and refining future recommendations
- · Fixed long-unnoticed bug that jeopardized legality and profitability of all Kroger direct mail campaigns

Software Engineering Intern

- · Independently built cloud-native service allowing self-registration for Azure Service Bus publishers, freeing developers from manually updating hardcoded consumer configuration or coordinating across teams
- · Contributed to key company-wide DevOps resources, such as Terraform modules and Azure Pipelines templates
- · Collaborated with other interns to create a Python Flask service that identified old or unused projects wasting computing resources

Ford Motor Company

Student Data Science Consultant

- West Lafavette, IN September 2019 - May 2020
- · Partnered with Ford Motor Company and other students through Purdue's Data Mine learning community to create a system that uses natural language processing to answer drivers' questions about their car
- · Led creation of information retrieval system to accurately filter data to be used by intensive NLP model
- Reduced load on transformer-based QA model by 65% with minimal loss in accuracy

EDUCATION

Purdue University

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

· GPA: 3.9 / 4.0

· National Merit Scholarship, Computer Science Corporate Partners Scholarship, Deans List

PROJECTS

Cluebase

http://cluebase.lukelav.in

West Lafavette, IN

August 2018 - May 2021

- Designed RESTful API for over 5,000 episodes and 350,000 clues from the TV game show Jeopardy!
- · Scraped, parsed, and cleaned data from an online archive using Python before inserting into PostgreSQL
- · Deployed the Python Flask API to an AWS EC2 instance using Docker

SKILLS

Languages & Frameworks: Python (FastAPI, Flask, Spark), Java (Spring), SQL (Postgres, Oracle, Snowflake) General Tooling and Concepts: Git, Docker, CI/CD (Jenkins, TeamCity, Artifactory), Terraform, Cloud Computing (Azure, AWS), Databricks, Event Driven Architecture, Natural Language Processing, Information Retrieval, Distributed Processing

May 2020 - July 2020

June 2021 - November 2023