Colby Duke

Education

Georgia Institute of Technology – Atlanta, GA

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, GPA 3.92

August 2019 – May 2023 Faculty Honors, Dean's List, Zell Miller Scholar

Work Experience

Software Engineer

• Developing Basis, Applied's cloud-based autonomous vehicle and ADAS verification & validation platform.

Applied Intuition

Software Engineer Intern

- Snap Inc. • Researched in Snap's R&D division, SnapLab, on Spectacles - Snap's next generation wearable smartglasses.
- Improved computer vision models for hand tracking and pose estimation using Spectacles' camera system.
- Generated over three million frames of fully synthetic training data which reduced CV model error by 20%.
- Built and deployed load distributed Kubernetes machine learning pipelines for CV training and validation.

Software Engineer Intern

Worked on algorithmically modelling order costs (Core Pricing team) for Uber Eats' 80 million monthly users.

Uber

- Developed a pricing microservice which calculates delivery fees based on restaurant and customer location.
- Coded the back-end for the service with Go, Python, Hive, and Docstore (Uber's distributed SQL database).

Software Engineer Intern

The Home Depot

- Designed and programmed an ARKit-based iOS app to scan 3D models of customers' furniture with LiDAR.
- Enabled the app to generate and save high fidelity meshes from the scans with ~2cm-wide polygon faces.
- Merged the meshes with AR to create real-time virtual visualizations of the customers' furniture and rooms.

Software Engineer Intern

JANUS Research Group

June – August 2020

- Constructed a line of computer vision sensors to monitor meters on water pumps at local farms.
- Integrated the sensors into the Google Cloud Platform, connected via LoRaWAN and cellular data.
- Created a monitoring UI with Django, InfluxDB, and Grafana for the Georgia counties managing the sensors.

University Projects & Organizations

CopyCat - Computer Vision and HCI research project which utilizes pose-estimators paired with Hidden Markov Models to translate American Sign Language (ASL) signs to aid deaf children learning ASL.

PopSign – Primary project manager of PopSign, a published iOS and Android mobile game which teaches adults ASL on their phones. PopSign is backed by Google's Accessibility Research Team and was presented at Google I/O 2023. Visit PopSign.org for links to the app store pages and recent news about the project.

GT CS Careers Club – Founder and President of the Georgia Tech Computer Science Careers Club, a registered student organization and online community of over 2,400 GT CS students. The club offers mentorship, resume workshops, mock interviews, technical interview prep, and other career-related services.

Awards

1st Place Paper – ACM CHI Conference 2021, Undergraduate Student Research Competition – May 2021. Best Overall Presentation – Georgia Tech CoC, Undergraduate Research Symposium – April 2021.

Skills

Languages – Python, Java, Go, C++, C, C#, Swift, Bash, x86 Assembly

Technologies – TensorFlow, OpenCV, MediaPipe, SQL, Hive, InfluxDB, React, Docker, Kubernetes, Terraform Concepts – Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Pose Estimation, Microservice Architecture, Distributed Systems, Scalable Containerization, Cloud Computing, Human Computer Interaction, Augmented Reality, Git

May – August 2021

June 2023 – Present

May – August 2022

January – May 2021