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Portfolio

I'm a machine learning researcher and engineer passionate about pushing the boundaries of AI while ensuring it delivers realworld value. My work spans from implementing transformer architectures to developing novel approaches for historical document verification. I combine rigorous technical methodology with creative problem-solving, both theoretical bringing understanding practical and engineering skills to everv project. Currently completing my BSc in Computer Science with a focus on ML/AI, I'm eager to groundbreaking contribute to research that shapes the future of machine learning.

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

- University of London: BSc in Computer Science (Machine Learning & AI) | GPA: 90% | March 2025
- Research: Transformer-Based Authorship Verification
 - Implemented Siamese Sentence-BERT architecture achieving competitive performance (AUC: 0.900, F1: 0.785) on VALLA benchmark dataset against PAN 2020 shared task participants
 - Developed novel LILA dataset with robust genre/topic bias controls, achieving near-perfect metrics (AUC/F1/C@1 > 0.99) across multiple distorted views
 - Integrated text distortion techniques with transformer architectures to enhance model robustness against topic/genre overfitting
 - Technologies: PyTorch, HuggingFace Transformers, Python Scientific Stack

EXPERIENCE

Independent ML Research

University of London

2023-present

- Advanced authorship verification through integration of transformer architectures with comprehensive evaluation pipeline (AUC, c@1, F1, F0.5u metrics)
- Implemented novel text distortion techniques for enhanced model generalization
- Previous iteration explored feature engineering approaches with feedforward networks, Spatium-L1 algorithm variations, and FAR/FRR metrics
- Developed and deployed data processing/ML pipeline to AWS-EC2 handling 10M+ words across multiple views

Kid Chess, Inc.

Marietta, Georgia

Software Engineer and Director of Technology

- Created and deployed AI-driven feedback system using OpenAI's GPT-4 API, enhancing personalized learning for 3000+ students
- Led development of online learning platform serving 3000+ students (Angular, Azure Cloud)
- Automated business processes using Python data processing pipelines
- Managed technical team response to pandemic, achieving 90% student retention through platform transition

ML/AI Skills:

- PyTorch & HuggingFace
- Transformer Architectures •
- NLP & Text Processing
- Experiment Design
- Model Evaluation
- Data Preprocessing
- AWS-EC2 & S3

Programming:

- Python Scientific Stack Research & Analysis
- Typescript/Javascript
- Erlang/OTP
- SQL & Data Processing
 Project Management
- Git/Version Control

2015-present

- Soft Skills:
- Technical Writing Problem Solving

- Teamwork