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Education

Stanford University
Stanford, CA

PhD in Computer Science

June 2020

- Thesis: Data summaries for scalable, high-cardinality analytics
- Advised by Prof. Peter Bailis

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

A.B. Summa Cum Laude in Computer Science and Mathematics

May 2013

Experience

Databricks San Francisco, CA

Software Engineer 2020 - Present

Google Mountain View, CA

Research Intern: Tensorflow Data Validation

- Developed customized data summarization algorithms for monitoring feature statistics

- Improved end to end production data validation times by 20%

Airbnb San Francisco, CA

Engineering Intern: Price Modeling

Summer 2016

Summer 2019

- Developed calibrated models in Spark to target users for customized price suggestions
- Set up framework for variability analyses on the pricing model to prioritize improvements

Facebook Menlo Park, CA

Software Engineer: Data Tools

2013 - 2015

- Designed and built an execution engine and UI for backfilling data pipelines
- Developed remediation and monitoring systems for dynamic product ads

Selected Publications

CrossTrainer: Practical Domain Adaptation with Loss Reweighting

DEEM, ACM SIGMOD

Justin Chen, Edward Gan, Kexin Rong, Sahaana Suri, Peter Bailis

June 2019

- Robust techniques for automatic transfer learning across datasets.

Moment-Based Quantile Sketches for efficient ... Aggregation Queries

SysML, VLDB

Edward Gan, Jialin Ding, Kai Sheng Tai, Vatsal Sharan, Peter Bailis

Aug 2018

- Distributed quantile estimation using a maximum entropy model, incorporated into Apache Druid.

Scalable Kernel Density Classification via Threshold-Based Pruning ACM SIGMOD

Edward Gan, Peter BailisUnsupervised, non-parametric outlier classification, outperforming scikit-learn.

MacroBase: Prioritizing Attention in Fast Data

ACM SIGMOD

P. Bailis, E. Gan, S. Madden, D. Narayanan, K. Rong, S. Suri

May 2017

May 2017

- System for anomaly explanation on multi-dimensional event log data.

Skills + Awards

- Proficient with Python and Java. Familiar with C++.
- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship 2015-2020.