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Summary

I am a Machine Learning (ML) researcher and engineer with a Ph.D. in Computer Science (focused on ML) and a strong background in software engineering. With over 10 years of experience in ML, my academic and professional journey has equipped me with a solid foundation for developing ML systems tailored to real-world applications.

Skills

Languages: Python, Java, Javascript, SQL (PostgreSQL, MySQL), R, Julia, Ruby on Rails, C++

General ML Libraries and Frameworks: Scikit-Learn, Keras, TensorFlow, PyTorch

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, AWS Stack, Elasticsearch, Grafana, Kibana

Data Processing and Analysis: Pandas, NLTK, NumPy, SciPy

Expertise: Deep learning, Bayesian modeling, federated learning, NLP, LLM, and data fusion.

Education

Ph.D. in Computer Science (Machine Learning) <i>University of Ottawa, Canada</i>	2020/09 – 2024/09
M.Sc. in Informatics <i>Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil</i>	2017/09 – 2019/10
B.Sc. in Information Systems <i>Estácio de Sá University, Brazil</i>	2016/09 – 2019/11
B.Sc. in Biophysics (Bioinformatics) <i>Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil</i>	2008/03 – 2013/03

Work Experience

Machine Learning Research Assistant, Canada <i>University of Ottawa</i>	2021/01 – present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted advanced machine learning research, contributing to theoretical advancements and practical applications.Published research findings in journals and leading conferences (ICML, NeurIPS and FUSION).Co-supervisor of two undergraduate students.	
Machine Learning Engineer, Canada <i>University of Ottawa</i>	2020/02 – 2020/12
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed and implemented novel machine learning algorithms and systems to address real-world challenges.	
Web Development Professor, Brazil <i>Mundial and Mare Bank</i>	2019/05 – 2019/10
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Web Development using Javascript.	
Software Engineer, Brazil <i>Clavis Information Security (clavis.com.br)</i>	2017/03 – 2019/04
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed and developed new functionalities for security products using AWS stack, Python, Ruby on Rails, SQL, Elasticsearch, and Grafana.Enhanced the efficiency of stress (load) testing by reducing latency in final report delivery by 85% with improvements in data processing and analysis capabilities.Proposed a new product component for malicious URL detection using LSTM.	
Software Engineer (Intern), Brazil <i>EMC²</i>	09/2014 - 03/2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed of plugins for Redmine using Ruby on Rails and PostgreSQL.	
Software Engineer (Intern), Australia <i>NICTA</i>	12/2012 - 03/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed a visualization and analysis tool for the web in the GWAS area to work with genomic data. Development using Python, JavaScript, Python, D3.js.	

Software Engineer (Intern), Brazil *Laboratório de Bioinformática e Biologia Computacional, INCA* 2012/06 – 2012/11

- Modeled a relational database to analyze experimental protocols for obtaining protein three-dimensional structures. Development with MySQL and Python.

Bioinformatics Researcher (Intern), France *Laboratoire de Biotechnologie et Pharmacologie Génétique Appliquée, ENSC* 01/2011 - 02/2011


- Studied the initial steps of activation of BAX by BIM (BH3) through normal modes analysis of the vibration (NMA), optimization techniques, Python, cluster analysis, and analysis of modes consensus.

Bioinformatics Researcher (Intern), Brazil *Laboratory for Molecular Dynamics and Modelling, UFRJ* 03/2009 - 01/2011


- Developed tools and molecular dynamics simulation for drug design.
- Project developed using C/C++, Python, R, optimizations techniques, PCA, cluster analysis, and data Mining techniques

Current Projects


Enhancing the performance of fine-tuning of LLM with surrogate Bayesian model.

- Responsible for designing and implementing the surrogate Bayesian model, ensemble of LLM, and fine-tuning evaluation.
- Tools: Python, PyTorch, Llama, Mistral, Stable diffusion models, LoRa.
- Role: ML researcher
- Sponsors: Universality of Ottawa and Federal University of Rio de Janeiro
- Presentation: [Beyond Fine-tuning and RAG](#) 


Completed Projects

A platform for automatic designing of resilient IoT applications from requirements documents with LLM *code: [RITA](#)* 

- Responsible for the design and implementation of the platform architecture, dataset, and fine-tuning evaluation.
- Tools: Python, Docker, PyTorch, Fine-tuning LLM, NLP, MySQL, RoBERTa, GPT-3, NER, Anvil framework, Pandas, NumPy, and Seaborn, BERT, Transformers, ELMo.
- Publications: [\[5, 10, 13\]](#)
- Role: ML researcher/engineer

New Bayesian filtering approaches for fast and low-cost bioprocess monitoring with uncertainty quantification *Doc: [Thesis](#)* 

- Responsible for designing, implementing, and evaluating three new Bayesian filtering approaches.
- Tools: Python, Julia, Docker, Bayesian filtering, Bayesian deep learning, hybrid models, uncertainty quantification, data fusion, Neural ODE, EKF, UKF, CKF, Global optimization, Genetic Algorithm, Bayesian Optimization.
- Publications: [\[8, 9, 11, 12, 12\]](#)
- Role: ML researcher


A Real-Time Respiration Monitoring and Classification System using a Depth Camera and Radars *Doc: [Journal Article](#)* 

- Main responsible for designing and implementing the real-time monitoring and classification tasks.
- Tools: Random forest classifier, Python, C++, depth camera, data fusion and radar sensors.
- Publications: [\[2\]](#)
- Role: ML engineer

Monitoring elderly people in nursing homes

- Main responsible for the implementation of the system.
- Tools: Python, cameras and movement sensors.
- Role: ML engineer

Enabling uncertainty quantification in federated-learning clients

code: [2S](#) 

- Responsible for designing and implementing the two students (algorithm).
- Tools: Python, Julia, federated learning, deep learning, ensemble, Gaussian process regression
- Publications: [\[7\]](#)
- Role: ML researcher/engineer

Enabling decision-making modeling for Personalized Monitoring System

code: [DEMDE](#) 

- Responsible for the design and implementation of the probabilistic domain model.
- Tools: Python, Bayesian network, UML, data fusion, uncertainty quantification, conceptual model (software engineering)
- Publications: [\[4, 6\]](#)
- Role: ML researcher/engineer

Handling Massive Proportion of Missing Labels in Multivariate Long-Term Time Series Forecasting

code: [handlingMPML](#) 

- Responsible for designing and implementing the two-step process approach where interpolation and model predictions are separated to enable the integration of prior domain knowledge.
- Tools: Python, TensorFlow, Gaussian process regression, LSTM, Deep Learning
- Publications: [\[3\]](#)
- Role: ML researcher/engineer

Agile software development learning through open hardware project

Doc: [Conference Article](#) 

- Responsible for teaching Agile Methods through an Open Hardware project.
- Tools: Arduino, Scrum, Extreme Programming (XP), Lean Kanban, Lean Startup Techniques
- Publications: [\[1\]](#),
- Role: Software engineer

Publications

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