Reece Shuttleworth

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Education

• Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Master of Engineering, Computer Science & Cognitive Science

Feb 2024 - May 2025

o Trying to understand how and why deep neural nets work.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science & Cognitive Science

Sep 2021 – Dec 2023

O Coursework: Algorithms I & II, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Linear Algebra, Programming, Probability, Computational Cogsci, AI Ethics, Game Theory, Hardware for Deep Learning

o GPA: 4.9/5.0

Experience

• Google DeepMind

New York City, NY

Incoming Intern

Jun 2024 – Aug 2024

o Research Engineering team.

• Cleanlab

San Francisco, CA

Machine Learning Engineering Intern

Jan 2024 - Feb 2024

o Developed and implemented novel ways to detect data issues in order improve data quality.

• Wrote in production code to detect low quality text with high precision.

Numenta
Software/Macking Learning Engineering Internet

Redwood City, CA

Software/Machine Learning Engineering Intern

May 2023 – Aug 2023

- Led R&D of novel applications of parameter efficient fine-tuning methods for large language models to meet strict customer and hardware constraints.
- Wrote code to support efficient sparse neural networks and rigorously reviewed literature to ensure alignment with state-of-the-art methods and best practices.

MIT Computer Science and AI Laboratory

Cambridge, MA

Research Scientist

Dec 2021 - May 2023

 Studied large language models and their use cases. Published two separate peer reviewed papers in NeurIPS FMDM '22 and PNAS '22.

Selected Work

- Sparsity in Transformers (github.com/reeceshuttle/958)
 - o Systematically measured the sparsity of weights and attention scores across several transformer models.
- Bias in BERT Models (github.com/reeceshuttle/63950)
 - o Examined bias in BERT models and used finetuning with a novel loss function to try to reduce bias.
- **MIT Pokerbots** (*github.com/reeceshuttle/poker-bot*)
 - o Placed in the top 10% of entries in 2023 MIT Pokerbots competition and awarded a cash prize.
- Gabor filter-constrained CNNs (github.com/samacqua/gabor-constrained-nns)
 - o Trained unique Convolutional Neural Networks by seeking inspiration from the human brain.
- **PyTorch, but in NumPy** (github.com/reeceshuttle/numpytorch)
 - o Implemented basic PyTorch functionality from scratch using only NumPy arrays. Neural networks converge and perform well on non-trivial problems.

Technical Skills

- Languages: Python, JavaScript, C, C++, HTML/CSS, Julia, LaTeX, RISC-V
- Other: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Git, Docker, WandB

Activities & Interests

- Varsity Cross Country and Track & Field: NCAA DIII National Champions, Academic All-Conference
- Interests: AI, neuroscience, reading, hiking, aviation, space flight, history