Alvin Tan

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Education

University of California. Berkelev

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Northwestern University

2020 - Expected 2025 Berkeley, CA

Graduated 2020 Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering, Economics, and Math Evanston, IL GPA: 3.99/4.00 | Honors: summa cum laude, Tau Beta Pi Alumni Chair, Eta Kappa Nu Awards: 2020 ECE Outstanding Graduating Senior, 2018 Goldwater Scholarship (HM) Relevant Coursework: Probability and Statistics, Real Analysis, Abstract Algebra, Machine Learning, Economics of Risk and Uncertainty, Econometrics, Corporate Finance

Skills

Proficient in Python, Matlab, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Verilog, VHDL Experience with SQL, Stata, microcontrollers, high-performance computing, and cloud computing

Research and Professional Experience

Hale Ao o Ka Moamoa Lab

Undergraduate Researcher

- Conducted a 30-paper literature review and identified a novel research space for using microbial fuel cell power output to infer ambient conditions in a wireless sensor network
- Collected and analyzed microbial fuel cell power output data with a grad student in biology
- Pivoted to theoretical system analysis with SPICE circuit models due to a worldwide pandemic

Oak Ridge National Laboratory

High-Performance Computing Intern

- Optimized and parallelized spectroscopic data analysis in Python on high-performance computing resources after converting from Matlab, resulting in a 150x increase in throughput
- Produced two abstracts (one short, one long), one project report, and one poster on the results
- Competed in a data-thon on a team of four by parsing multi-GB crystallography datasets into a datastream to feed into a neural network

AI Applied Research Lab, Ford Motor Company

Artificial Intelligence Intern

- Prototyped, evaluated, and documented four artificial intelligence projects exploring crowdsourcing, facial recognition, object recognition, and natural language processing
- Gained experience with Python, PHP, machine learning, Raspberry Pi, and MySQL databases

Course Projects

Northwestern University

Microprocessor System Design

- Developed a multiplayer remote pong game with a partner using MSP430 microcontrollers
- Gained experience programming microcontrollers in C. manipulating peripherals, transmitting and receiving messages through radios, and parsing through device datasheets

Evanston, IL

June 2019 - Aug 2019

Oak Ridge, TN

April 2018 - June 2020

June 2018 - Sept 2018 Taylor, MI

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