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<b>INTERESTS</b>	Deep learning, foundation models, joint vision-language modeling
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>Rochester Institute of Technology</b> , Rochester, NY <i>Bachelor of Science</i> , Imaging Science      2013 - 2017
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>Senior Research Engineer</b> <b>Paige.AI</b> 2019 - Present New York, NY <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Working on weakly supervised and self supervised neural networks applied to gigapixel histopathology imagery.</li><li>• Optimizing 500M+ parameter vision transformer training and inference on multiple generations of hardware.</li><li>• Developed and implemented model architecture improvements for the detection and localization of cancer.</li><li>• Collaborating with research, product, and medical teams to deliver models with high clinical utility.</li><li>• Core contributor to the research and development of first ever FDA approved AI system in pathology.</li><li>• Worked on developing ML training framework to increase reproducibility, experiment tracking, code modularity, and lowering the barrier of entry to running experiments.</li><li>• Involved in hiring most of the AI team by helping shape the interview process and doing 100+ technical interviews.</li><li>• Co-authored research on novel weakly supervised methods for breast cancer detection and segmentation.</li></ul>
	<b>Machine Learning Engineer</b> <b>Comcast-NBCUniversal</b> 2017 - 2019 New York, NY <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lead research of temporal language modeling for understanding semantic drift.</li><li>• Worked on facial recognition, object detection, and scene detection for long-form videos.</li><li>• Organized and taught a weekly machine learning course for coworkers.</li></ul>
	<b>Research Assistant</b> <b>Rochester Institute of Technology</b> 2016 - 2017 Rochester, NY <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Researched multimodal vision-language models for video question answering.</li><li>• Developed a system using dependency parsing to automatically generate diverse sets of question-answer pairs from natural language video descriptions.</li><li>• Developed a multimodal network to jointly reason over videos and natural language to answer questions about a given video.</li></ul>
<b>TECHNICAL SKILLS</b>	<b>Languages:</b> Python <b>Libraries:</b> PyTorch, Python scientific computing stack, HuggingFace, W&B, Gradio <b>Tools:</b> Jupyter/Colab, Docker, Git, Slurm <b>Misc:</b> Large-scale multi-node training on HPC

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