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EDUCATION

ETH Zurich Sep 2021 - Jun 2026

M.Sc. in Data Science with focus on Computer Vision and Scalable Computing, Jun 2026 (expected)

B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, Oct 2024. GPA: 5.6/6

National University of Singapore

Feb 2024 - Jun 2024

Semester abroad, completed full semester workload of EECS courses. GPA: 3.74/4

PROJECTS

3D shape assembly pipeline (semester's thesis at Stanford's gradient spaces lab)

July 2025 - present

- Extended the existing multi-part shape assembly baseline (published by the lab at Neurips 2025) with a multi-stage approach and managed to reassemble up to 170 parts (up from 64) and decreased chamfer distance by 65%
- \bullet Pretrained and benchmarked various point cloud encoders such as PointBERT and PTv3
- Got offer to write my master's thesis as a visiting researcher (VSR)

Real time pipeline for action recognition using scene graph (3d vision course)

March 2025 - present

- Built a real-time (5 FPS) pipeline to detect, segment and classify objects; insert into a scene graph on RGB data and train to predict actions. Our method incorporates a predicted depth layer to improve the baseline.
- Currently running final experiments for publishing.

Bachelor's Thesis - A RL Approach to Generate Network Topologies (Grade: 6/6) May 2024 - Oct 2024

- Developed an architecture from scratch utilizing Monte Carlo Tree Search to generate interconnect topologies of diameter-3 for data centers at the Scalable Parallel Computing Lab of ETH Zurich with support from Intel Labs.
- Profiled, optimized and parallelized the architecture for a 10× increase in self-play games.
- The thesis is not published as of now, but part of my work served as foundation for this paper (see acknowledgments).

A computer agent that helps aging adults navigate their desktops

Jan 2025

- Built an agent that provides step-by-step, visual guidance by spotlighting where users should move their cursor using *Anthropic*'s new computer-use api.
- Built in 24 hours at Singapore's largest hackathon *Hack&Roll* and won in the main category.

EXPERIENCE

Toyota Finder

Co-Founder

 ${\rm Dec}\ 2024-{\rm Apr}\ 2025$

- Built an mvp for a car marketplace using a hybrid approach that combined vector search with llm-generated filters for a vastly improved search experience. Here is a demo with cars scrapped from craigslist in SF.
- Lined up 80k USD in funding from angels, pitched to well known VCs and talked to customers including dealerships.
- Scrapped the project due to lack of long-term interest in the space.

Polybee Computer Vision Engineer, Intern Singapore Nov 2024 – Feb 2025

- Built a model based on the PF-NET architecture to reconstruct occluded spinach leaves from RGB-D images,
- achieving a mean leaf length prediction accuracy within ±0.3 cm.

 Trained a time series model to forecast spinach leaf size distribution up to 3 days ahead, achieving 90% historical accuracy within ±0.5 cm.
- Developed an algorithm to detect the orientation of broccoli rows using traditional image processing techniques.

SKILLS

- Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Computer Vision, Computer Architecture, Computer Networks, Intro to Machine Learning, Mathematics for Data Science
- Languages: C++, Python, C
- Tools and Libraries: Git, PyTorch, Cuda, Wandb, OpenCV, Bash, Nvidia Nsights, Langchain
- Communication: English (Fluent), German (Native), Spanish (Limited), French (Limited)
- Awards
 - Winning high school thesis at the Swiss national competition of Schweizer Jugend forscht, 2021
 - Mentorship and Scholarship by the Swiss Study Foundation (for distinguished students)
 - Won in the main category of Singapore's largest hackathon Hack⊗Roll in 2025
 - Invited to Y Combinator's AI startup school in San Francisco in June 2025