

# KEN MING LEE

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## EDUCATION

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<b>McGill University</b> <i>Candidate for M.Sc. Computer Science (Thesis)</i> Supervised by Prof. Derek Nowrouzezahrai and Prof. Maxime Cohen	Sept 2022 - Sept 2024
<b>University of Waterloo</b> <i>B.ASc. in Honours Computer Engineering with Distinction, Dean's Honours List</i>	Sept 2017 - Apr 2022 GPA 91.21

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Languages</b>	Python, Java, C/C++, Dart, Kotlin, Rust
<b>Tools/Libraries</b>	PyTorch, JAX, Unity, Docker, AWS/GCP, Flask, Nginx, Firebase

## PAPERS

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- Investigation of Independent Reinforcement Learning Algorithms in Multi-Agent Environments [PDF]  
*Ken Ming Lee, Sriram Ganapathi Subramanian, Mark Crowley*  
Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence Journal & NeurIPS 2021 Deep Reinforcement Learning Workshop

## EXPERIENCE

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### Research

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<b>Student Researcher</b> <i>Mila</i>	Sept 2022 - Montreal, QC
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- Intersection of Reinforcement Learning (RL) and Retail Management

<b>RL Research Assistant @Retail Innovation Lab</b> <i>McGill University (Supervised by Prof. Derek Nowrouzezahrai and Prof. Maxime Cohen)</i>	Sept - Dec 2021 Montreal, QC
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- Built 3D virtual convenience store RL environment in Unity

<b>RL Research Assistant @WISE Lab</b> <i>University of Waterloo (Supervised by Prof. Krzysztof Czarnecki)</i>	Apr - Aug 2021 Waterloo, ON
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- Integrated rule-based autonomous vehicle behavioural planner with RL environment

<b>RL Research Assistant @UWECCEML Lab</b> <i>University of Waterloo (Supervised by Prof. Mark Crowley)</i>	Jan - Aug 2021 Waterloo, ON
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- Wrote undergraduate thesis on single-agent RL algorithms in multi-agent settings
- Algorithms: [Independent] DQN, PPO [Multi-Agent] MADDPG, MAPPO, QMIX, COMA, DRON

<b>RL Research Assistant @UWECCEML Lab</b> <i>University of Waterloo (Supervised by Prof. Mark Crowley)</i>	Sept - Dec 2019 Waterloo, ON
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- Built GUI library for forest fire RL environment with Tkinter and Pillow

### Industry

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<b>Innovation Lab Developer</b> <i>Interac Inc.</i>	Sept - Dec 2020 Waterloo, ON
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- Developed QR payment Interac app in Flutter for cross-platform compatibility, hosted on Firebase

**Software Engineering***Wayfair Inc.*

Jan - Mar 2020

*Boston, MA*

- Developed credit card application in Wayfair's Android app using Kotlin
- Decoupled monolithic code by utilizing Dependency Injection (DI) with Dagger
- Applied Clean Architecture with VIPER/MVP, increasing testability and reusability of code

**Software Product Prototyper***Deloitte*

May - Aug 2019

*Waterloo, ON*

- Combined active learning with domain heuristics to reduce labelling costs
- Fine-tuned BERT using TensorFlow to perform transfer learning for contextual multiclass classification
- Built Graph DB in NetworkX to increase querying speed and flexibility for text-based insight generation
- Served model using Flask with Docker, deployed on EC2/ECS with Cognito for authentication

**Developer***Interac Inc.*

Sept - Dec 2018

*Waterloo, ON*

- Hosted serverless backend architecture using AWS API Gateway with Lambda and Firebase Realtime DB

**Junior Automation Developer***ThoughtWire Corp.*

Jan - Apr 2018

*Toronto, ON*

- Developed production-ready Java libraries and maintained production test suites

**PROJECTS**

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**Reproducible RL**[github.com/kenminglee/RL](https://github.com/kenminglee/RL)

- PyTorch implementation of RL algorithms: PPO, A2C, DQN, SAC, TD3 and DDPG

**Realm AI**[sites.google.com/view/realm-ai](https://sites.google.com/view/realm-ai)

- Developed Python library for Unity's ML-Agents Toolkit. Functionalities include:
  - Hyperparameter tuning using Optuna
  - Automating RL training and hyperparameter tuning processes
  - Integration with Weights and Biases