# David Szczecina

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# **Experience**

#### Computer Vision Engineer, Miovision

May 2025 - Current

- Built a Deep Learning pipeline for Semantic Segmentation of poor-visibility regions in traffic video streams
- Trained a classifier to flag frames with degraded tracking performance due to adverse visibility conditions
- Improved multi-object tracking by modeling occlusions and using temporal cues to track occluded objects

#### Artificial Intelligence Researcher, UW Vision and Image Processing Lab

Sept 2023 – Current

- Published award winning AI research paper at Conference of Vision and Intelligent Systems (CVIS 2024)
- Invented 2 new Loss Functions that are robust to label error, increasing label error detection rates by 13%
- Analyzed the effect of mislabelled data on accuracy and loss in common ML datasets
- Increased Deep Learning model accuracy using Confident Learning for error detection in datasets

# Machine Learning Engineer, Northern Digital Inc.

Jan 2025 - April 2025

- Architected a Gaussian-Splat reconstruction pipeline to generate photorealistic 3D models from 2D images
- Developed a custom Structure-from-Motion workflow for real time Time-of-Flight point-cloud registration
- Achieved sub-millimeter 6-DoF tracking accuracy by optimizing pose estimation through real-time CV filters
- Implemented a CNN-based anomaly detector to monitor and flag drift in medical-device tracking accuracy

#### Backend Software Engineer, Magna International

April 2024 – Aug 2024

- Developed a scalable TCP data processing framework and SQL database for machine state tracking, resulting in the collection of 750 million data samples per day and annual savings of \$350k
- Optimized server for high-volume data using asynchronous connections to handle concurrent clients
- Integrated AI processing using cloud computing for predictive analytics and downtime prevention

#### Software Engineer, Toyota Motor Manufacturing

Sept 2023 - Dec 2023

- Programmed a machine vision system to control a 6-axis robot arm, automating 3 manual positions
- Developed machine learning-based vision systems for defect detection, improving accuracy by 18%
- Decreased equipment downtime by 40% through root cause analysis and reprogramming machinery
- Automated audio verification processes using Digital Signal Processing, automating 2 manual positions

## **Publications**

#### Loss Functions Robust to the Presence of Label Errors

*Journal of Computational Vision and Imaging Systems*; **D. Szczecina**\*, N. Pellegrino\*, P. Fieguth Published at CVIS 2024; **Best AI Paper award** 

Dec 2024

Copyright Detection in Large Language Models: An Ethical Approach to Generative AI Development Canadian Undergraduate Conference on Artificial Intelligence; D. Szczecina, S. Gaffori, E. Li.

Published at CUCAI 2025; Ethical AI Development award

Mar 2025

## Education

## University of Waterloo,

Mechatronics Engineering, (2021 – Present)

#### **Relevant Courses**

Data Structures and Algorithms Deep Learning

## **Technical Skills**

**Programming:** Python, C, C++, Java, C#, SQL, MATLAB, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, .Net, OpenCV, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Docker, React, Git, Linux

**Design:** Solidworks, AutoCAD, 3D Printing, PCB design, Microsoft Office, VBA, Power BI