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Skills

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Java (Android) · Python · C · C++ · Bash · Octave · Scala

Experience

CBC/Radio-Canada · Native Apps (Android) Developer Coop

May 2017 - Present

- Developed major UI/UX features such as the **theme engine** for the CBC News App **400k+ MAUs**
- Wrote libraries for internal Android framework, shared across all CBC mobile apps
- Integrated wireless technologies such as NFC for article sharing (Innovation Week)
- Worked with Google to develop and release a CBC News instant app at Google I/O '17
- Implemented tracking calls using Amplitude and set feature flags for A/B testing to optimize user experience, resulting in improved user engagement metrics

Mindbend Studio · Lead Android Developer

July 2015 - December 2015

- Built **Android** client for infor[me], an app to simplify announcements within large organizations
- Deployed beta release to >1000 users and developed additional features based on feedback
- Wrote backend service for permissions-handling throughout organization tree using JS & Parse
- Drafted mockups in **Sketch** to create unified **UI/UX** for both iOS and Android



Projects

Songify • Music Player with Predictive Info

- Complete music player for **Android** with beautiful animations and a unique UI
- Scraped BillBoard site to track movement of Top 100 tracks over time in Python
- Wrote RESTful backend service to provide smart info, statistics, and cover art data using Flask

Various Libraries • Public Libraries

- AutoResizingTextView: auto detection of text outside the view's bounds and then resizing down to fit.
- Practice_Problems: solutions to Hackerrank problems and assorted data structure implementations

Speakr · Real-Time Speech Analysis App

- Parsed audio in real-time using the **Azure Cognitive Services** API
- Conducted numerical analysis of speech to provide user with a framework for self-improvement
- Visualized data using **Android GraphView** in graph format to see variation over time

SE Sound Sequencer · Mini-Digital Audio Workstation

• Developed real-time audio manipulation software in C on the Arduino-based Tiva Launchpad

Management

Academic Representative · September 2016 - Present

- Addressed concerns of students in the Software 2021 class to Professors to maximize academic success
- Organized events such as resumé critiques with other organizations to improve class employment rates

Engineering Ambassador · September 2016 - Present

• Official Engineering Ambassador to represent the University of Waterloo at outreach events and on campus