# **Amrit Amar**

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#### **Education:**

## Cornell University, College of Engineering, Ithaca, NY 14853

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, December 2020

Master of Engineering in Computer Science, May 2020

Botswana Top Achievers Scholar • Association of Computer Science Undergraduates (ACSU) Corporate Chair

# **Experience:**

Facebook, Seattle, WA 98109

Software Engineer (Aug 2020 - Present)

Just started!

# Cornell Graphics and Vision Group, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853

### Master of Engineering Student Researcher (Oct 2019 – June 2020)

I worked with Professor Steve Marschner and Professor Bruce Walter on "Exploring photo-realistic material rendering in VR" as my Masters of Engineering final project ● Used Unity and GLSL to implement the ellipsoid shading model, a more realistic model than the standard shading models present in graphics applications, particularly with anisotropic surfaces ● Tested this shading model in a real-time interactive VR environment and compared the look of various materials to real-life

#### Facebook, Seattle, WA 98109

# Software Developer Internship (May 2019 – August 2019)

Worked on implementing MPEG-DASH ingested live for FBLite Livestreaming using a combination of C++, Java, and Python, to improve reliability for live streaming in 3rd-world/developing countries ● Created an end-to-end working prototype that allows the user to go LIVE from FBLite and use the DASH ingestion stack

#### LiveLike, New York City, NY 10011

## Software Developer Internship (June 2018 – August 2018)

Worked with Unity and ArKit/ARCore to create augmented reality sports viewing experiences for mobile devices • Designed ways to show live data and statistics in augmented reality • Designed and implemented a gamification social platform with friends, chat rooms, and mini-games

#### Robotics Personal Assistants Lab, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853

#### Software Team (April 2017 – January 2018)

Working with Professor Ross A. Knepper's research group on creating a Solar-Powered Autonomous Blimp capable of independent flight for extended periods of time • Working on higher-level planning algorithms, UI design, ROS programming

# CurioPets, Palo Alto, CA, 94301-2326

## Augmented Reality Developer (August 2017 – October 2017)

Participated in a VR Summer Bootcamp hosted by DIVR Edu, a startup that creates educational content to teach students in schools  $\bullet$  Worked on building VR/AR projects and developing CurioPets, a multiplayer AR iOS game

# **Selected Courses:**

Object-Oriented Design and Data Structures - Honors • Functional Programming • Computer Systems Organization and Programming • Operating Systems • Analysis of Algorithms • Foundations of AI and Advanced AI • Computer Graphics • Beginners and Advanced Game Architecture • Analytical Game Design • Natural Language Processing • Computational Linguistics • Computational Neuroscience • Computational Genetics and Genomics • Evolutionary Algorithms • Data Science • Graduate Computer Vision • Machine Learning for Intelligent Systems Various projects and writeups I have done for some of these classes are available on my website.

#### **Skills:**

Computer Skills: Microsoft Office Suite ● Photoshop and 3D design with 3ds Max ● Linux ● Arduino Microprocessor/Raspberry Pi ● Unity (Game Design, AR, VR Development) ● ROS Programming ● TensorFlow/SciKit (in both ML/NLP) ● NLP Libraries (NLTK, SpaCy, FastText, \*2vec) ● GL Shading Language ● Programming Experience: Java ● Visual Basic ● Python ● Arduino ● R ● C/C++ ● C# ● OCaml

#### Awards:

- Best Game Programmer in Africa 2013 & 2014: I participated in a programming competition for all high-school students in Africa. I won twice in a row and got the chance to work on Minecraft Source Code and meet Game Developers.
- IT Innovation Award in the Botho College ICT Linkz Challenge: I made a robotic hand using Arduino Microprocessor that can be used to help miners in dangerous situations. (Demonstration: <a href="http://bit.ly/2wq5nQC">http://bit.ly/2wq5nQC</a>)
- *Most Innovative Game at GDIAC 2018 for OutOfSync:* I took Game Design in 2018 Spring semester and won the overall most innovative game award at the Cornell Game Design Showcase. (Download the game: <a href="https://bit.ly/2GAKGTN">https://bit.ly/2GAKGTN</a>)
- Cornell Computer Science Student Recognition Award: I received an award from the Cornell CS Department for my work at the Association of Computer Science Undergraduates as the Corporate Chair.