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宗旨：通过讲述自己的成长过程，来描述以下两点中的一点（一点就够）：

1. 为什么要选择这个专业并且读研(对专业的热爱，对科学技术的探索 etc. )

2. 自己除了学术方面的其他技能或者性格 （hobbies, personality, volunteer, leadership etc.）

#家庭成长

I am so lucky to be born into such a family: both my parents work in a university. My father is a professor in computer science (CS) and my mother is a teacher in the university library. Thanks to their professions, I grew up in a university campus and was educated in an open but academic atmosphere during my childhood. Moreover, as my parents are excellent teachers, they know the most important thing of teaching a child. They did not force me to read books or do exercises in mathematics. Instead, they allowed me to do whatever I was interested in.

#中学成长

In the middle school, I began to receive systematic training of programming, with the first language as the BASIC. The computer teacher in my school and my father offered me a lot of help at the beginning. They taught me not only the skills but also the philosophy of programming. With their help, I participated in the competition of National Olympiad in Informatics in Provinces (NOIP) and won the first prize. This prize won me the opportunity to enter one of the best universities in China, Peking University.

In middle school, besides computer science, I have developed a strong interest in geography. I read the magazine *National Geography* every month for many years. Moreover, knowing my interest, my parents took me into different places in China, including cities, snow-mountains, deserts, seashores etc. Thus, when I got the chance to select major in Peking University, I selected the geographical information system (GIS) as my undergraduate major --- an interdisciplinary major of CS and geography.

#大学成长（可以着重表现SOP中没有表现的，比如leadership, volunteer, hobbies etc. ）

At Peking University, I made several successful trials in applying CS into geography. The experience I am most proud of is to develop the ‘iGIS’ software, where I led a team of four members, worked for more txhan three months, completed more than 30,000-line codes, and successfully developed the software. After this experience, I found my instinctive love for programming and I decided to concentrate on CS. Then in these nearly two years, I have conducted two research projects in academia and one industrial project in industry, which have made me well prepared for a further pursuit in CS.

University of XXX is one of the best Universities in the field for me to continue my academic pursuits, based on its fantastic international reputation as a source of advanced research, active research environment, and prominent faculty. If admitted, I will give my very best to every class, research project and publication. Additionally, I believe that my background and research will contribute to the diversity of your program. I hope that you will consider me for admission to your program.