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Job Application - Game Developer for immersive medical VR applications

Dear Prof. Dr. Alexander Hann,

I appreciated our conversation on **February 13 at 10:30 AM** regarding the **Game Developer** position at the University Hospital Würzburg. The prospect of contributing to immersive **medical VR applications** that enhance medical training, reduce reliance on animal testing, and ultimately improve patient care resonates with me.

I hold a Master's degree in Computer Science with a specialization in Artificial Intelligence and a Bachelor's degree in Games Engineering from the University of Würzburg. My background uniquely positions me at the intersection of game development, artificial intelligence, and real-time interactive systems, aligning well with the objectives of your team.

During my academic and professional journey, I have been actively involved in **VR and game development projects**, including:

- VIA-VR (Medical VR Research Project): Developed the backend for a Unity-based VR platform that allows doctors to create customized VR training applications for scenarios like first aid training and exposure therapy. My primary contributions included implementing scene deserialization, ensuring correctness of game objects and integrating assets.
- Abyssal Enigma (VR Game, Unreal Engine 5): Designed and implemented a first-person underwater exploration game in a team of 6, handling both VR porting and motion sickness reduction techniques (e.g., virtual nose and FOV adjustments). This experience provided me with a deep understanding of player comfort in VR.

Having worked with both **Unreal Engine and Unity**, I am proficient in **C++**, **C#**, **and Python**. My expertise spans **real-time systems programming**, **AI integration**, **and performance optimization for VR applications**. Additionally, I am skilled in **3D modeling**, **animation**, **and asset integration** using **Blender**, enabling me to contribute to both technical and artistic aspects of development.

Beyond technical expertise, I thrive in **team-oriented and research-driven environments**. As a teaching assistant in **game engine development**, I mentored students on real-time rendering and advanced design patterns to handle complex code bases, reinforcing my ability to **collaborate**, **explain complex topics**, **and document processes clearly**. My research in **game flow design for 3D platformers**, presented at the IEEE Conference of Games in Milan, demonstrates my ability to **analyze interactive experiences**, **conduct structured investigations**, **and contribute innovative ideas to game development and user experience design**.

I am particularly excited about the potential of **VR** in **medical training**—leveraging immersive simulations to provide **realistic**, **hands-on learning environments for medical professionals**. The ability to replicate complex procedures in a risk-free environment aligns with my passion for using **game technology to solve real-world problems**. My experience with **VIA-VR** has already introduced me to the challenges of **designing medical training simulations**, and I am eager to expand this work in a setting that directly impacts the day to day effort of doctors.

I would love the opportunity to discuss in more detail how my experience and skills can contribute to your research and development efforts. I look forward to your response and hope to speak with you again soon.

Sincerely,

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