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## EDUCATION

University College London (UCL)

London, United Kingdom

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BSc Chemistry with Mathematics; Grade: Predicted First-Class Honours

Sep 2022 - Jun 2025

Courses: Algorithms and Data Structures, Scientific Programming, Computational Chemistry, Mathematics for Physics and Astronomy Activities and Societies: Quant Society, Asset Management Society, Scuba Diving Society, Surfing Society, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Society

#### ACS Hillingdon International School

London, United Kingdom

International Baccalaureate; Grade: 39/45

Aug 2018 - May 2022

Higher Levels: Mathematics Analysis and Approaches (7/7), Chemistry (7/7), Biology (6/7), Economics (6/7)

Research Project: Analysed cycling demand using 15GB of TfL data with STL decomposition. Awarded highest grade in cohort.

Activities and Societies: Model United Nations, Student Council, Cross Country

### EXPERIENCE

Microsoft

London/ Edinburgh, United Kingdom

July 2024 - Sep 2024

Software Engineer Intern, Azure for Operators

- Used Ceph, an open-source package to manage syncing data between voicemail servers scaling to millions of users.
- Wrote robust, error-handled code to allow for an outage-less upgrade of servers for customers with five nines uptime.
- Ensured code could easily be debugged with well-written documentation and logs for support teams to aid customers.
- o Deployed Linux VMs, automated processes with bash scripts, monitored and managed network services/APIs.
- Worked with open source communities, navigating large C++ codebases and debugging poorly documented functions.
- Replaced Ansible with Python scripts, boosting command speed by up to 1000x, enhancing support team efficiency.
- o Developed unit-tested Java code in a large codebase, managing endpoint selection for requests in a multithreaded server.
- Developed a Microsoft 365 Copilot extension for researchers to accurately discover papers via the Semantic Scholar API.
- o Created a Minecraft mod integrating Copilot into in-game chat, allowing new players to ask questions, easing learning.

# Sainsbury Wellcome Centre and Gatsby Computational Neuroscience Unit

London, United Kingdom Sep 2023 - Mar 2024

Research Software Engineer, Neuroinformatics Unit

- Helped develop Movement, an open-source Python package for the kinematic analysis of animal body movements.
- Wrote high-quality, object-oriented, unit-tested code for the I/O of various data formats and underwent code reviews.
- Utilized strong CI/CD practices to facilitate open-source collaboration and published the code for open-source use.
- o Published as a coauthor in the proceedings of Measuring Behavior 2024: https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.25897855.

S-Cube Software Developer Intern Imperial College London

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

- Applied autodifferentiation to accurately compute gradients of various cost functions for gradient descent.
- o Utilized Fourier transforms with NumPy library to perform signal processing on seismic data.
- Vectorised data while calculating the zero-lag cross-correlation of seismic data to improve compute time.
- Automated data extraction from documents using Python with libraries Pandas, Itables and AWS CLI.
- Leveraged fine-tuned GPT models and prompt engineering techniques to enable natural language data extraction.
- o Developed chatbots with LLMs, Flask and PostgreSQL, integrated intent detection for API data retrieval.
- o Deployed live web applications with AWS EC2, AWS ELB, Docker, Kubernetes, Nginx, and Git for version control.

## Projects

#### Accessible Flappy Bird - Pose Detection & Voice Recognition

Morgan Stanley Code to Give Hackathon

October 2023

• Worked in a team to use on-the-edge ML algorithms for keyword detection for voice controls, and pose detection to track head movement to create an accessible flappy bird for Children's Hospices Across Scotland (CHAS).

## Spatiotemporal Analysis and Prediction of Crime in Philadelphia

Citadel Europe Regional Datathon

April 2023

o Conducted a spatiotemporal analysis of traffic stops and crime in Philadelphia to determine police efficiency in locating crime hotspots using R. Trained a neural network from TensorFlow to predict the type and time of crimes in hotspots.

### Deep Learning Model to Measure User Attention

Hackathon Submission

o Worked in a team to develop an application which detects users' attention during video calls using a deep learning model trained with TensorFlow and plots a graph displaying how attention varied over the call.

## Additional Information

• Coding Languages: Proficient in Python and C++, experienced in Java, Bash, SQL, R, C and LATEX.

• Interests: Scuba Diving (PADI Certified Advanced Open Water Diver), Surfing, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Cycling

• Spring Weeks: G-Research Coding Challenge (Winning Team), Susquehanna International Group, WTW, Schroders.