Ishaan Gandhi

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EDUCATION

Harvey Mudd College

Claremont, CA

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science & Mathematics

2017 - 2021

Graduated with departmental honors and a 3.9 GPA as a *Harvey S. Mudd scholar*. Selected coursework: Computer Systems, Databases, Operating Systems, Programming Languages, Software Verification, Advanced Algorithms, Algorithmic Game Theory, Model Theory.

EXPERIENCE

Facebook Summer 2019

Software Engineering Intern - Place Visit Detection

New York, NY

• Implemented 2-pass scoring in Facebook's machine learning model for place visit detection, increasing model AUC by 0.74pp. Worked on prediction service and training workflow in C++ and Python respectively.

Facebook Summer 2018

Software Engineering Intern - Real time Infrastructure

Seattle, WA

• Worked on Facebook's pub-sub system (C++ and Java) on the real-time infrastructure team. Improved the security of infrastructure by using cryptographic authentication tokens to authenticate subscribe requests to certain topics.

Capital One Summer 2017

Software Engineering Intern - Commercial Bank

Tysons Corner, VA

• Full stack development for an IOT sensor network. Built a real-time dashboard and wrote a REST API.

OPEN SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

- Wrote, tested, and submitted an implementation of RFC 5837 (Extending ICMP for Interface and Next-Hop Identification) for Linux 5.12.
- Enhanced the tracepath and traceroute6 applications in the widely used iputils package to identify arrival and next-hop interfaces when such information is present in ICMP replies.
- Added support for the IPv6 compact routing header (CRH), and IPv6 tunnel payload forwarding (TPF) in Wireshark. Also fixed six bugs related to ICMP extensions.
- Added a new dissector for the RFC 5837 protocol in **TCPDump**.
- Fixed bugs and added interactive parsing mode to the POSIX compliant shell parsing libraries **Morbig** and **Morsmall**.

PUBLICATIONS

• Ishaan Gandhi, Anshula Gandhi. Lightening the Cognitive Load of Shell Programming. 11th Annual Workshop on Evaluation and Usability of Programming Languages and Tools (PLATEAU 2020.)

Research

ETH Zürich | Advanced Software Technology Lab

Spring 2020

• Used a coverage-guided fuzzer (AFL) to find bugs in the SMT solvers CVC4 and Z3. Profiled the symbolic executor KLEE using C++ and Python.

Harvey Mudd College | Parallel Symbolic Execution Research

Spring 2021

• Analyzing novel matrix-based approach to symbolic execution. Wrote tool to generate control-flow-graphs for a proprietary language and convert these CFGs into matrices.

Pomona College | Formalization of the POSIX shell standard

Fall 2020

• Worked on integrating the Morbig parser to the SMOOSH shell in OCaml.

• Found and fixed bugs in the **Morbig** and **Morsmall** parser libraries, and extended them to support interactive parsing.

NASA | Stellar Astrophysics

Jun 2016 - Jun 2017

- Wrote Monte Carlo simulator to study the performance of various data compression algorithms on space telescopes.
- Sped up image data processing for my research group 600x from Hubble Space Telescope using scripts.

Projects

TCP/IP Stack | C++

- Wrote an implementation of a networking stack in using modern C++ (C++17). Included the transmission control protocol (TCP), address resolution protocol (ARP), and IP router.
- Profiled with Gprof and improved throughput of implementation 0.05 Gbit/s to 0.78 Gbit/s.
- Used this stack to talk to real internet survers in a command line application similar to cURL.

LLVM Interpolation Pass $\mid C++$

- Wrote a compiler optimization for LLVM to make arrays easier to understand for software verification tools.
- The optimization converted lookups into arrays whose contents were known at compile time into function calls that could be more easily understood by verification tools.

Shell Notebook | Node.js, React

- Built a full-featured terminal replacement for Mac, Linux, and Windows based on the notebook computing paradigm. Includes native SSH support and native file navigation.
- Sold to paying users, and ranked #2 on Product Hunt the day of its release. Check it out at shellnotebook.com

TECHNICAL SKILLS

C, C++ (up to standards in C++17), OCaml, Coq, Haskell, Java, Go, Swift, SQL, Bash, Git, Flask, JS, React, AWS, Kafka, Mongo

Test Scores

ACT: (99.9 percentile)
Math: 36/36
English: 36/36
Reading: 36/36
Science: 36/36