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# Jiasen XU

#### Education

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, Canada

Master of Applied Science in Electrical & Computer Engineering (GPA: 94.4/100)

2014 - Present

- Full financial support granted for 2 years. Faculty of Engineering Award winner
- Thesis: Quantizer Design in High Efficiency Video Compression (HEVC)

#### University of Science and Technology of China

Hefei, China

Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Engineering (GPA: 91.0/100)

2010 - 2014

- Directly admitted without National College Entrance Exam through National Physics Olympiad
- National Scholarship winner. Ranked 10/311 in School of Information Technology

# Highlight of Skills

- **Programming:** Solid knowledge of algorithm and data structures; Highly proficient in Matlab and C, Proficient in C++ and also familiar with Java, Ruby and shell scripting; Experienced with Pascal and BASIC; Contributed to 100K+ lines open source project and 4K+ lines individual project; Started programming since 11 years old
- Web Development: Proficient in web development with Ruby on Rails, HTML, CSS and Javascript; Also experienced in JSP, JDBC and Flex. Hands-on experience in more than 3 real-world projects
- Database System: Highly proficient in SQL; Hands-on experience in both Relational and NoSQL databases
- Development Tools: 5 years' experience in Visual Studio and MATLAB; Proficient in Unix like OS, vim editor, Git/Github and Netbeans; Also experienced in Eclipse and Altera QuartusII
- Data Compression: Solid background in data compression and information theory; Expert in current image compression standard JPEG; In-depth understanding of current video coding standard HEVC/H.265
- Teamwork: Self-motivated, hard working and dedicated to high quality, with proven team work skills and leadership

#### Experience

# Software Developer (Part time)

Kitchener, Canada

ApplyBoard Inc., a Startup Incubated in Velocity Garage

Jul. 2015 - Present

- Actively contributing to both front-end and back-end development, proposing and implementing new features
- In charge of testing automation, Search Engine Optimization (SEO), database migration and management
- Researching into a significant amount of open source web techniques to perfect the main web application

#### Research Assistant

Waterloo, Canada

University of Waterloo, Supervised by Professor En-Hui Yang

Sep. 2014 - Present

- Redesign the quantizer in HEVC/H.265 to further improve video compression performance. Methodology is based on video content understanding using machine learning and statistical analysis tools
- Rewrite the HEVC test Module (HM16.5), an open source project with 100K+ lines of C++ code

# **Notable Projects**

#### **ApplyBoard**

Full-stack Developer. ApplyBoard.com Rails application

Jul. 2015 - Present

 ApplyBoard is the first online tool for students anywhere in the world to find a university or college in Canada or U.S. that best suits their needs and apply to it; Homepage: https://www.applyboard.com

#### Hybrid Database Based E-Commerce Web Application

Group leader. Advanced Database Systems course project

Jan. 2015 - May. 2015

An fully functional E-Commerce Java Web Application with back-end using both MySQL and MongoDB simultaneously; while MongoDB is used to process and store large volume of unstructured/semi-structured data (items, comments, users, etc), MySQL is adopted to handle transactions and structured data;

### JPEG Image Decoder

Individual hobby project written in pure C

Jan. 2015 - Jun. 2015

- A console application that are able to decode nearly all JPEG images (Baseline/Progressive) within a second