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## Summary

Self driven and independent, recent graduate of **bachelor's degree in computer science**, with years of experience in **programming**, **research** and **problem solving**. Experience in **academic research**, **professional software development**, **teaching**, and **presenting work** in academic settings. Member of the Quantitative Experience Design lab at the University of Utah with one **peer-reviewed research paper** published as **first author**.

## Skills

- Computer Programming
- Academic Research
- Problem Solving
- Scientific Writing
- Communication
- Algorithms/Data Structures
- Design Patterns
- Software
- Mathematics
- Artificial Intelligence

## Education

- **Bachelor's of Computer Science** —University of Utah  
What started at Salt Lake Community College ended at the University of Utah, where I finished my **bachelor's degree** with two years of undergraduate research experience and the **Undergraduate Research Scholar** designation (1 of only 7 in my year).

## Projects

- **Bronco** — Programming Language, Library, IDE  
[github.com/qed-lab/Bronco-Text-Generator](https://github.com/qed-lab/Bronco-Text-Generator)  
As an **undergraduate researcher**, I researched, designed, and implemented this **programming language**, which allows users to author text generators. This includes a **parser** made with ANTLR, a **C#** library for accessing the backend, and a **custom IDE**.
- **BIT4D** — Library  
[github.com/JonasPKnoch/BIT4D](https://github.com/JonasPKnoch/BIT4D)  
A library for **rendering** 4-Dimensional geometry with the slicing technique in the **Godot** game engine. Using **optimized GPU code** to quickly render objects from a **custom file format**, complete with texturing, shading, and a usable **API**.
- **4D Axonometric Renderer** — Applet  
[github.com/JonasPKnoch/4DAxonometric](https://github.com/JonasPKnoch/4DAxonometric)  
A **Java** project made in **Open Processing**, that renders 4-Dimensional shapes using an original and flexible technique. Utilizes **object oriented design** for an easy to use toolset, including **saving/loading files**, and rendering in multiple styles.
- **Colder On Mars** — Web Applet  
[colder-on-mars.s3-us-west-1.amazonaws.com/index.html](https://colder-on-mars.s3-us-west-1.amazonaws.com/index.html)  
A **JavaScript** project making use of many **APIs**, and **XML** and **JSON** requests. Hosted in **AWS S3** and made in **P5.js**, combines multiple APIs and fallbacks for a reliable service with error feedback.

## Publications

- **Bronco: A Universal Authoring Language for Controllable Text Generation** —  
International Conference on Interactive Digital Storytelling 2022  
[jonaspknoch.github.io/files/knochelmann2022bronco.pdf](https://jonaspknoch.github.io/files/knochelmann2022bronco.pdf)  
A paper describing the motivation, design, and implementation of the Bronco programming

language.

- **GTPCG: Generating Objects from Mathematical Description** — Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Interactive Digital Entertainment 2023 (Rejected)  
[jonaspknoch.github.io/files/GTPCG.pdf](https://jonaspknoch.github.io/files/GTPCG.pdf)  
A paper describing the basics of group theory for procedural content generation, exploring the principles, several case studies, and implementation.
- **Exploring group theory for use in procedural content generation** — University of Utah Poster Session  
[jonaspknoch.github.io/files/GTPCG%20Poster.pdf](https://jonaspknoch.github.io/files/GTPCG%20Poster.pdf)  
A poster showing the motivation and principles behind the “group theory for procedural content generation” research project.

## Experience

- **Undergraduate Research Engineer** — University of Utah (current)  
Here, I am responsible for **conducting research**, either **independently** or as directed by a mentor or colleague. This has involved extensive **literature** reading, **software engineering**, pen and paper **problem solving** and **communicating with established figures** in the field. This work has also allowed me to **publish and present a peer-reviewed research paper**.
- **Corporate Trainer, Web Development** — Salt Lake Community College  
In this position, I was responsible for **teaching** basic **web development** to a **diverse** body of students towards a Web Development Certificate. This involved preparing class material, **delivering 3-hour lessons**, and assisting with any questions students have. The class material covered **version control** and the full range of **front end** to **back end development**.
- **Lab Aide, Programming Languages** — Salt Lake Community College  
Here, I was responsible for assisting in **corporate training** of **programming languages**. This meant answering student questions, adding insights or clarifications to lessons, and **communicating consistently** with students and staff.
- **Data Entry Programmer** — Eptura  
At this position, I was contracted to assist in various **data entry** tasks relating to the iOffice products. This primarily involves **modifying code**, managing **version control**, and **writing tools** to speed up and **automate** my work.

## References

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