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## SUMMARY

- Software & Security Engineer with hands-on experience in server firmware validation, UEFI driver development, and backend systems.
- Proficient in C++ and SQL, with experience using Python (pandas, numpy) and R for data reporting.
- Experienced in cross-functional collaboration with global engineering teams.

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming: C++, Python (pandas, numpy), HTML/CSS, SQL (MSSQL)
- Firmware/Security: UEFI, SPDM, Secure Boot, Firmware Debugging
- · Web/Backend: Flask, Bootstrap, Git, API Design
- Data Analysis: pandas, numpy, R, Excel automation

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

### **DELL TECHNOLOGY / Firmware Engineer**

(Aug 2023-present)

#### 17G Server Power - Security Firmware Design

- Validated PSU firmware using C++ to meet federal security standards (secure boot, cryptographic updates, device authentication via certificate chain of trust and digital signature), compliance with NIST & DMTF SPDM.
- Defined firmware specifications (e.g., MCRPS, SPDM) for vendor compliance and interoperability.
- Diagnosed and resolved firmware issues, enhancing server power reliability.
- Partnered with USA/India teams, accelerating PSU deployment by 60%.

#### 16G & 17G BIOS -- Server UEFI Driver Project

• Developed UEFI HII driver in BDS phase for early POST error data capture, improving root-cause analysis speed by 40%.

#### PSE (Portfolio System Engineer) Project – Cloud-Based Web Tool

- Built a cloud-based visualization tool for system schematics, improving circuit validation speed by 70%.
- Implemented mutex locks to handle concurrency and race conditions, ensuring reliable file access and system stability during repeated executions.

#### COMPEQ MANUFACTURING CO., LTD. / Web Developer Intern (Jan 2023-Apr 2023)

 Delivered responsive corporate website with Agile, animated UI using JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Bootstrap, ensuring cross-browser and mobile compatibility.

#### GLOBAL NET AUTOMOTIVE CO., LTD / Software Engineer Intern

(Feb 2022-Jan 2023)

- Developed a secure internal web app using Flask and MSSQL for efficient data visualization and queries.
- Utilized pandas, numpy, and R to process and transform large datasets from the SQL database, generating automated Excel reports for business analysis.
- Assembled and configured systems, network devices, and peripheral hardware to support internal operations.

# **PROJECTS**

Voice gesture control self propelled vehicle - Python, OpenCV, Speech Recognition

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• Raspberry Pi vehicle, controlled with voice and hand gestures to operate the vehicle

3D Jet Game Web Application – WebGL2 & JavaScript, GPU-based Rendering

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• Built an interactive 3D jet simulation game using WebGL2, achieving 60 FPS with dynamic lighting and physics-based movement.

#### **EDUCATION**

Northeastern University, Seattle — M.S. in Computer Science

(Aug 2025 - 2027)

(expected)

Yuan Ze University - Bachelor's in Computer Science

(Oct 2019-Jun 2023)

- Selected Coursework: Introduction to Wireless Internet (A+), Computer Programming (A+)
- Teaching Assistant of Interactive Video Game Development

# **CERTIFICATES**

• AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner | TOEFL 108/120 | Collegiate Programming Examination 3/5