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**EDUCATION** University of Toronto

2013 - Present

Engineering Science (Robotics specialization) class of 2017

GPA: 3.87/4.0

SKILLS

- Programming | C++ | Python | C | Lisp || Git | SVN | Mercurial
- Web development | Django | HTML | CSS | Jekyll | Javascript
- Visual Design | Inkscape | Photoshop | SolidWorks

#### EXPERIENCE

### **FPGA CAD Routing Optimization**

Aug 2015

Summer research – more at johnsonzhong.me/projects/vpr

- Routing component of VPR under the Verilog-to-routing toolchain
- Up to 3x speedup on difficult circuits through incremental rerouting
- Speedup scales positively with circuit difficulty
- Up to **30% faster circuits** produced through targeted rerouting of critical yet suboptimal connections

## **Autonomous Interacting Robots**

Apr 2015

Team of three – more at johnsonzhong.me/projects/robot

- Interacting mobile robots playing connect-4 on a randomized gamefield
- Responsible for microcontroller (Arduino) and all logic
- Fastest ball retrieval time (3 ball/min vs average 0.5 ball/min) through targeting randomly-located high-reward ball dispensers

#### SAL - Algorithms and Data structures library

Jan 2015

Solo – more atjohnsonzhong.me/sal/

- Header only C++ template library with an interactive tester
- Simple and clear implementations of efficient algorithms
- User friendly and practical introduction to algorithms (used by classmates)

# Language Interpreter (Lisp)

Aug 2014

Solo – more at johnsonzhong.me/projects/clisp

- Small and fast at around 550 lines of C++
- Lexical scoping, first class functions, and tail recursion optimization
- Automated garbage collection with RAII

#### **IEEEXtreme Programming Contest**

Oct 2013 | 2014

Team of three – Virtual Vagrants placement

- Solved algorithm-related programming challenges within 24 hours
- Placed **43**/7500 (6<sup>th</sup> in Canada) in 7.0 | **52**/unknown (8<sup>th</sup> in Canada) in 8.0

INTERESTS | Hacking | Graphics Design | Chess | Badminton | Wushu |