# **CHANNING PEAR**

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#### **EDUCATION**

2014-2018 University of Texas at Austin, B.S. Computer Science, Business Minor

Austin, TX

Turing Scholar, Computer Science Honors Program (3.8 GPA)

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### Spring 2018

#### Spectrogram, Founder and CEO

New York, NY

- Present

Music tech company combining sound and sight. Products include audio visualization, recognition, and VR apps

- Audio visualizations are complete and being sold on clothing/paintings/posters to build a consumer base
- Visual-to-audio recognition and Synesthesia VR app are currently in development

#### Spring 2017

#### Convergent, Board Member, Co-Director of Product Mgmt. & Incubator

txconvergent.org | Austin, TX

- Present

Convergent is a newly-formed organization enabling innovation at the intersection of technology, business, and design

- Launched, grew, and directed 100+ member "Build Team Program" (hands-on product development education)
- Directed Convergent Incubator which is responsible for ~36% of the university's current distinguished startups
- Expanding Convergent to other premier college campuses as member of five-person alumni board

#### Summer 2017 Stripe, Software Engineering Intern

San Francisco, CA

Designed and implemented Stripe's continuous integration system 'MergeBot' on a team of three

- The system lies in the critical path of the software development workflow, so had to carefully plan for rollout
- Managed to implement through GitHub API calls instead of through a hosted instance of git like Twitter does
- Proposed internal profile seating chart project and developed it on a team of three interns. Code in production!

#### Summer 2016 Google, Software Engineering Intern

Mountain View, CA

Designed and implemented high-performance open-source Java distributed tracing API for the Google Cloud Platform

- Over 80% of Google's production services use the system, Census, to track RPC latency and for debugging
  - Simplified internal codebase and developed a native implementation from the ground up for open-source release
  - Heavily contributed to the design of distributed tracing API's in other languages (Go, C++)

### Summer 2015 Bloomberg LP, Software Engineering Intern

New York City, NY

Developed premium financial analytics software and visualizations for a \$100M target market using React and D3

- Designed and implemented custom visualizations to portray complex financial data
- Connected front- and back-end through HTTP endpoints and restructured 30,000 line front-end codebase
- Implemented backend pipeline to streamline the process of financial engineers validating submitted data

#### Summer 2014 Beecher Investors, Software Developer

Stamford, CT

Created real-time and historical financial data scraper with excel integration using YQL and the Google Finance API

# SELECTED PROJECTS

**PacMan AI** Reinforcement-learning-based PacMan AI using TensorFlow

Face Detector
Achieved 89% accuracy through support vector machines and sliding window comparisons

ML Scheduler
Web Crawler
Indexes and searches a subset of the web. Supports compound queries and efficient phrase searches

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Swim Scope
Indexes and searches a subset of the web. Supports compound queries and efficient phrase searching
Web app that lets you compare the times of groups of swimmers. Developed with Python, Selenium, Flask, MongoDB

L++ Implemented a functional programming language with semi-parallel processing in C++ Genetic Tetris Graphical Tetris game with an AI developed and optimized through a genetic algorithm

# PROGRAMMING COMPETITIONS & EXTRA CURRICULARS

Spring 2016
Summer 2015
Spring 2016
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### SKILLS AND TECHNOLOGY

**Proficient** Java, Python, C++, Git, Vim, LaTex

Exposure Ruby, TensorFlow, MATLAB, R, SQL, Scala, JavaScript, C, Objective C, Bash, HTML, CSS, React

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

denotes honors

Artificial Intelligence\*, Data Structures\*, Discrete Math\*, Computer Architecture\*, Operating Systems\*, Algorithms\*, Programming Languages\*, Data Mining\*, Computer Vision/Machine Learning\*, Network Security, Cloud Computing, Networks, Statistical Modeling\*, Mobile Computing, Vector Calculus\*, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Managerial Accounting, Financial Accounting, Finance