Sam Hirsch

Computer Engineer and Entrepreneur

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Education

BS in Computer Engineering, University of Utah – GPA 3.95

September 2017 – December 2021 (anticipated)

Experience

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Salt Lake City, Utah

Compiler Technology to Optimize Performance, University of Utah

May 2020 – Present

Researching automatic tuning of C code with the director of the school of computing, Dr. Mary Hall, in conjunction with work at Argonne National Labs

- Investigating and comparing methods of developer guided code optimization for C kernel functions
- Performing architecture-oriented optimizations as well as parallel computing strategies

Chief Technology Officer

Salt Lake City, Utah

Rexchanger, LLC

Aug. 2019 – Present

Building the Rexchanger platform

- Lead the full-stack development of a peer-to-peer outdoor gear rental platform
- Building a scalable backend using Python and Django, hosted on AWS, and a cross-platform mobile app with Flutter
- Prioritize and plan development road-map and manage technical communication

Web and Media Compatibility Intern

Paris, France

Compatibility Team, Streamroot Inc. (now a subsidiary of CenturyLink)

Sept. 2019 – Jan. 2020

Developed Hearth and System for Integrated Logging and Control (SILC) for internal QA

- Developed iOS application and integrated with deployment chain for seamless QA of new SDK builds
- Built a companion webapp and CLI using bash and JavaScript to receive logs from the SDK and push test configurations to multiple devices in real-time
- Detailed the project on the company blog (https://link.medium.com/JSUY3NqCM9).

Software Engineering Intern

South Jordan, Utah

Mobile Team, Lucid Software

May 2018 - Aug. 2018

Maintained and improved Android application

- Built the process for photo uploading, the major feature in the 2.0 application release
- Developed and tested new rendering method as an important step in company roadmap

Projects

16-bit RISC Computer (Class Project)

- Completely designed a fully-functional digital computer with Verilog-HDL and an FPGA board
- Worked with three other students to build a CPU based on the RISC processor and instruction set
- Wrote a Guitar Hero clone, in our custom machine code, that live-transcribes music to demo the CPU

VR Arcade for Paralyzed Patients (Extended Class Project)

- Worked with four other students to create a virtual reality arcade using Unity and SteamVR
- Cooperated with a research team at the University hospital to integrate the "Sip and Puff" device, to make the game accessible to paralyzed patients and help them practice using the device

Re-implementation malloc and free in C (Class Project)

- Only used the "mem_map" and "mem_pagesize" system calls to request memory space
- Achieved 60% performance compared to the libc implementation and 83% mapped memory utilization when run through a rigorous benchmark

CleanFare (Personal Project)

- Began developing a platform to reward use of clean transportation in High School to try and help my community
- Founded an LLC and built a mobile application, web platform, and functional backend throughout college

Leadership

- TA for Electrical Engineering lab for non-majors (2020 present) and Digital System Design course (2021 present)
- Student Associate and Director of High School Utah Entrepreneurship Challenge (2018 2020)
- Summer camp counselor, canoe trip leader, lifeguard, and Wilderness First Responder (2019)