Varunram Ganesh

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Education

NIT Trichy (National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirapalli) — Tiruchirapalli, India

B.Tech in Production Engineering — May 2015 - Exp. July 2019

- President of Maximus, the math society of NIT, Trichy
- Member of Delta Force, the premier coding club of NIT, Trichy

Relevant Classes

- **Coursework:** Data Structures and Algorithms, Computer Organization, Probability and Statistics, Product Design & Development
- **Others:** 6.046 Advanced Algorithms (MIT), 6.858 Computer Systems Security (MIT), 6.034 Artifical Intelligence (MIT), Advanced Cryptography (Stanford), Design and Analysis of Algorithms I & II (Stanford), Bitcoin & Cryptocurrency Technologies (Princeton)

Relevant Skills

- **Languages:** Go, Python, Javascript, C, C++, HTML&CSS, Shell, Lua, Ruby, Assembly, MySQL
- **OSes:** Linux (Debian, Ubuntu), MacOS, Windows (98-10)
- **Tools:** Git, MongoDB, Node.js, Rails, React.js, Redis, Apache, NGINX, LXD, Dotty, Jenkins
- **Misc:** Cryptocurrencies, Mathematica

Research Experience

MIT Media Lab - Tsai Centre for Innovative Thinking at Yale — Cambridge, USA

Blockchain Researcher — December 2018 - January 2019

- Worked on openx, a smart interface for next generation funding models powered by IoT and blockchain based data
- Researched into consensus algorithms and how they can be applied to real world problems
- Researched into how identity of IoT devices can be used to build a pseudonymous reputation system on the blockchain

MIT Media Lab — Cambridge, USA

Blockchain Researcher — May 2018 - July 2018

- Worked on lit, the Bitcoin Lightning Network implementation at the MIT Media Lab's Digital Currency Initiative
- Researched into novel Proof of Stake (PoS) systems, gossip protocols and discussed on their applicability in the real world

Companies Founded

The Musicoin Foundation — Hong Kong, HK

Founding Team Member & Lead Developer — June 2017 - February 2019

- Lead Developer at the Musicoin Foundation responsible for heading new projects and undertaking new initiatives
- Co-Founder of the Musicoin Bounty Program which incubates innovative ideas on Music and provides funding for research and development
- Co-Maintainer of the Musicoin Wallet and go-musicoin repositories which serve as interfaces for interacting with the blockchain

Work Experience

Open Source Volunteer — Remote

Open Source Volunteer to leading organizations — Aug. 2016 - PRESENT

- The Scala Foundation: Implemented a documentation generating engine for Dotty
- The Nmap Project: Proposed 70+ changes in Nmap, Npcap, Zenmap and the Nmap Scripting Engine
- Bootstrap: Implemented various new classes used for styling and positioning
- MyCrypto: Added Musicoin Integration and General Bug Fixing

AIESEC in Thailand — Nakhon Pathom, Thailand

English Teacher for Students — Dec. 2015 - Jan. 2016

- Taught English to primary and secondary school students aged between 8-14
- Developed creative ideas to make learning English interactive and interesting

Honors & Awards

Year	Award	Location
2018	**Top 100 Startup Ideas,** Hult Prize	New Delhi, India
2017	**Top 100 Innovations in India,** Festival of Innovations, Government of India	New Delhi, India
2017	**Top 7,** Cerebra by Kurukshetra	Chennai, India
2016	**Most Innovative Solution,** 108 Emergency Services Hackathon, Government of Tamil Nadu	Chennai, India

References available upon request