# WAQAS ALI

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#### **SUMMARY**

CompSci sophomore seeking a software engineering internship.

#### **EDUCATION**

Pok Fu Lam, Hong Kong The University of Hong Kong September 2016 – May 2020

- Bachelor of Engineering in <u>Computer Science</u> with minor in <u>Neuroscience</u>
- Full Scholarship for 4 Years
- Major Courses: OOP/Java, Data Structures & Algorithms, Computer Vision, Full Stack Web Dev

### **EMPLOYMENT**

# Software Engineer, Intern Microsoft Hong Kong June 2017 – August 2017

- Developed a **complete retail solution for SMEs** to remain competitive against big brands and online stores. Built with Python, OpenCV, Bot Framework, LUIS, Bing Speech API, Application Insights, Ibex, HTML, CSS, Bootstrap & jQuery.
  - Used OpenCV to model a facial recognition system and Face API to detect emotions
  - Used Node.js, Bot Framework, LUIS & Bing Speech API for a shopping-assistant chatbot
  - Used Python & Flask to create a RESTful API for communication between microservices
- Designed and implemented a POC for an **AI-infused Customer Service** portal which reduces customer service cost **by 30**%. *Built with Node.js, Bot Framework, LUIS, QnA Maker API, Application Insights, Ibex and Bing Speech API.* Incorporates chatbots, **NLP, speech-to-text and analytics**.
- Developed a **web app** which reduces time to find optimal Azure offerings for prospective customers **by 75%.**Built with jQuery, Bootstrap, HTML & CSS. Also compares with AWS to give a competitive edge.
- Made **2 more** POCs and made demos of Azure Virtual Machines, Machine Learning Studio, Stream Analytics, Event Hub, Web App, CosmosDB, SQL Databases & IoT Hub

PROJECTS github.com/WagasAliAbbasi

- **Big Two** A multiplayer networked cross-platform Big Two card game. *Java 8, Object-Oriented Design, Multi-threaded, Java Socket*
- Time A VR cross-platform game to promote heritage of Kowloon Walled City Hong Kong. Unity, C#, Sketchup
- CollabCoin A decentralized Investment Fund. Backend: Ethereum, BigchainDB, Python; Frontend: Meteor
- Consilia An Al-infused Smart Academic Planner for HKU Students. MongoDB, Express, React, Node.js (MERN)
- CreditSense An automated and decentralized credit scorer (Winner Microsoft Imagine Hack) Backend: Multichain, Flask; Frontend: React

### **SKILLS AND TECHNOLOGIES**

- Core: C/C++, Java, Python, JavaScript, Node.js, Shell, RESTful APIs
- Web & Database: React, Meteor, Express (MEAN/MERN), jQuery, Bootstrap, MySQL, MongoDB, PHP
- . Mobile: React Native
- Machine Learning: TensorFlow, Pandas, Scikit-learn, OpenCV
- Tools & Services: Unix/Linux, Unity, Git, Azure, Docker
- Testing: Mocha, pytest, Postman
- Blockchain: Solidity, Ethereum, BigchainDB, Multichain

### **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE AND AWARDS**

- Teaching Assistant: ENGG1111 Computer Programming and Applications (HKU, Fall 2017)
- 7 Hackathons: Sept 2017 to March 2018 (Won 3)
- 2nd Place: Greater China Shanghai Commercial Bank Fintech Hackathon (Round 3: Shanghai, Dec 2017)
  - o 1st Place: Hong Kong Round (Round 2: Hong Kong, Nov 2017); Prize Money: 70,000 HKD (Team of Five)
  - o **Product:** Decentralized Crowdsourced Investment Fund (Ethereum, BigchainDB, Python, Meteor)
- Conducted 10 Technical Workshops: In Cyberport, CityU and PolyU Hong Kong

## **POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY**

- Founder Chi Sun Turing Club: A 10-member team working on tech-driven solutions for HKU student-life
- Director Creative Services: Harvard WorldMUN Hong Kong 2019 Bid Team. Sept 2017 to Nov 2017
- Microsoft Student Partner Hong Kong: Sept 2016 to May 2017