# **Alexander Shah**

# **Software Developer**

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Languages Java, C/C++, Python, Scala, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, MATLAB

**Tools / Tech** Git, Bash, ElasticSearch, PostgreSQL, ReactJS, jQuery, Flask

## **Experience** PaveAl Software Developer | Python, Javascript, SQL | May 2017 - Sep 2017

- Designed an async network with Celery and RabbitMQ to distribute tasks across servers
- Replaced key-value store with PostgreSQL JSONB type resulting in a 10x speed increase
- Used Linear Optimization to determine the best insights to show to clients
- Created client-facing dashboard view with Flask backend
- Worked on SQLite database, using Alembic for migrations and SQLAlchemy for ORM

## Richmond Hill HS Webmaster | JavaScript, SQL | Sep 2015 - Jun 2016

- Linked ticket sales to database to keep track of attendance at events
- Developed software to organize school-wide games

## **Projects** Slime Farming Simulator | Java

- Designed a multithreaded game server and client with Java Sockets
- Incorporated AABB for collision detection and double-buffering to reduce screen tearing
- Implemented procedural map generation using a tree model as well as pathfinding AI

#### **SsSnake** | JavaScript

- Built a voice controlled snake game using the p5.js client side animation framework
- Utilized p5.speech voice recognition to obtain directional inputs

#### **SEware** | C, Tl Tiva, Orbit Boosterpack

- Modelled all object interactions using classical mechanics and linear algebra
- Communicated with I/O components such as OLED display, accelerometer, and LEDs

#### **Sodasplosion** | Java

- Developed a Bomberman clone with both single-player versus AI and multiplayer modes
- Designed AI to path towards the closest safe zone with a Manhattan distance heuristic

# **Education** University of Waterloo | 2016 - 2021

- Candidate for Bachelor of Software Engineering
- Dean's Honour List (91.57% CAV)

### Coursera - Stanford University Machine Learning | MATLAB | 2016

- Implemented Linear & Logistic Regression, ANN, k-NN, and SVM for weekly assignments
- Discussed real world applications such as anomaly detection and recommender systems

#### **Awards**

- Top 1% HackerRank algorithms contest leaderboard | Jun 2017 Present
- Top 30 Canadian Computing Olympiad Qualifying Round | Feb 2016
- Platinum Division USA Computing Olympiad | Jan 2016 Present
- DECA International Team Marketing Finalist | 2014 2016