# Adhiraj Somani

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#### **Education**

## **National University of Singapore**

Singapore

B.Comp. (Hons.), Computer Science, SIA-NOL Undergraduate Scholar

2009-2013

- GPA: 4.72/5
- Dean's List Award, 2010/11 (Top 2% of cohort)
- Tutor, Software Engineering on Modern Application Platforms

### KTH | Kungliga Tekniska högskolan

Stockholm, Sweden

NUS Student Exchange Program Awardee

Aug-Dec 2011

#### Don Bosco School, Park Circus

Kolkata, India

2009

High School, Science and Mathematics

- Valedictorian Award
- Featured in The Telegraph for outstanding performance (97.25% aggregate score)
- President, Computing Club
- State level table tennis competitor

#### **Work Experience**

#### Software Engineering Intern, Facebook, Seattle, USA

May '12 - Jul '12

- Implemented machine learning algorithms for place search, resulting in a 45% increase in search success rate. This involved a better discretization technique with manual tuning based on user behavior. I also increased the automation of the training pipeline to make deployment and testing of models easier. [C++, Python]
- Improved the Build Verification Test tool. [Python]

#### Software Engineering Intern, Facebook, Palo Alto, USA

May '11 - Jul '11

- Built a scalable and fault tolerant version of a business critical ETL system bringing down error rates by 71% and achieving 3x speedup from the previous version. [Python]
- Improved job scheduler used for internal data processing tasks. [Java]

#### IT Director, Startup @ Singapore

Aug '10 - May '11

 Maintained the online competition portal that handles registrations, business-plan submissions, the judging system and results dissemination for over 1000 participants from 19 countries. [PHP]

### Student Coach, International Olympiad in Informatics Training Camp, India

Jun '10

Created problem sets and solutions for selecting the student delegation. [C++]

## **Programming Competitions**

- Silver Medal, International Olympiad in Informatics, 2009
- 2<sup>nd</sup> runner up, ACM ICPC Manila Regionals, 2009
- Honorable mention, ACM ICPC Kuala Lumpur Regionals, 2010

## **College Projects**

**Text Classifier** Oct '12 - Nov '12

A naïve-Bayes multi-label classifier for HTML documents. [Python]

Mar '11 - May '11

An iPad application that replaces traditional menus in restaurants and automates customer-side ordering and billing. [Obj-C, iOS]

**Huff & Puff** Jan '11 – Feb '11

A Windows Mobile game akin to Angry Birds that I reinvented for the iPad. [Obj-C, iOS]

**Crazy Paddles** Aug '10 - Nov '10

A 2-player Wii game where a kayaker tries to negotiate turbulent waters, while a shooter sitting pillion takes down balloons in the sky. [Flash/ActionScript]

Mar '10 - Apr '10 Sportup!

A community website for sports, Sportup! serves as a contact point for Singaporeans looking for casual or serious players up for a game at a given time and location. [Ruby on Rails]

## **Skills & Interests**

• Programming: Proficient in C/C++ and Python. Familiar with Java, Ruby on Rails, Objective C, Bash, PHP,

JavaScript, HTML, ActionScript, Scheme, and MATLAB.

ACM ICPC, NUS Hackers Communities:

Sports: Badminton, Swimming, Table Tennis, Running

Interests: Improv theater, Outdoor activities, The occasional video game