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Software Developer | Creative Programmer | Sports Enthusiast | University of Waterloo

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Diamond Schmitt | Generative Designer | 2021-Present

- Utilized an [evolutionary algorithm](#) to [optimize](#) tower placement and geometry.
- Engineered an automated system to [simulate](#) shadow impacts and produce an [analysis](#) based on [weather data](#).
- Developed an [algorithm](#) to maximize daylight access while minimizing heat loss in high-rise residential buildings.

Court Splash Studio | Director | 2019-Present

- Designed and [punctually](#) delivered over 180 projects to international clients over the span of two years.
- [Streamlined](#) the workflow with generative [scripts](#) and [templates](#).
- Enabled teammates through [documentation](#) and periodic reviews.

Functionland | Web Developer | 2021-2022

- Worked closely with the marketing team to [wireframe](#) the UI for Functionland's landing page using [Figma](#).
- [Managed](#) and coordinated the production materials including photos, videos, and 3D animations using [Kanban board](#).
- Implemented the website as a part of the [front-end](#) development team using [Svelte](#).

Freelance | Software Developer | 2015-2021

- Designed and programmed a [kinetic](#) shading structure using [Python](#) and [Grasshopper](#).
- Analyzed internal forces of a [parametric](#) space frame using [Python](#) and [Karamba](#).
- Developed a [generative program](#) for modeling numerous variations of Muqarnas, an architectural ornamentation with [highly complex geometry](#).
- Programmed a generative simulated color mosaic painting with [Python](#) and [Grasshopper](#).

University of Waterloo | Graduate Teaching Assistant | 2020-2021

- [Instructed](#) 70+ students both in-person and remotely.
- Examined [conceptual development](#), [structural design](#), [building process](#), and the selection of structural steel and concrete systems.
- Worked on topics such as tension, flexural, and compression members using [calculations](#), design aids, rules of thumb and the latest CSA design standards.

HACKATHONS

Mapna Office Building | 3rd Place

Visualized and rendered a unique multi-storey office building.

Product Design 2 | Honourable Mention

Worked in a group to design, develop, and present the idea in 48 hours.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: HTML, CSS, Javascript, Python, C++

Tools: Git, Visual Studio, Jupyter, Arduino

Front End: React, Bootstrap

Back End: Node.js

Others: Open CV, NumPy, Pandas, Pillow, Matplotlib, MS Office

SOFT SKILLS

Problem Solving
Adaptability
Leadership
Teamwork
Communication
Attention to Detail

DESIGN SKILLS

Graphic Design: Figma, Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign

3D Visualization: Rhino 3D, Sketchup, Grasshopper, Vray

INTERESTS

Playing Sports
Design
Data Science
Reading
Financial Markets
Learning
Watching Movies

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo | 2020

Faculty of Engineering | MArch

Art University of Isfahan | 2017

BSc Architectural Engineering (Hons)

PROJECTS

Crypto Backtesting Tool | 2020

- Downloaded, cleaned, and stored [historical market data](#) using [Binance API](#).
- Built and visualized price-change [heat maps](#) for various time frames using [numpy](#), [pandas](#), [matplotlib](#), and [seaborn](#).

Reclaiming Construction Waste: An interface for robotic stacking of irregular components in compression-only structures | 2020

- Implemented [machine-vision](#) for a 6-axis [collaborative robot](#) using off-the-shelf technologies and [OpenCV](#).
- Developed an [on-line 3D bin-packing algorithm](#) for an [unsorted set](#) of [irregular components](#).
- Deployed a [rigid-body physics simulation](#) to validate the stability of compression-only structures.
- Developed an [autonomous](#) system to analyze irregular objects, calculate the best target pose, simulate the solution, and generate a tool path for a collaborative robot.
- [Researched](#) +100 academic sources for C&D waste management, material reclamation, and computation & robotics.

Cybrid Serenade | 2019

- Implemented and trained a [machine-learning](#) algorithm to detect emotions and [facial expressions](#) using computer vision.
- Designed and programmed the behavior for an [interactive](#) wall based on human emotions.

Reef: Bio-inspired 3D Printed Ceramic | 2019

- Developed a script to generate complex [bio-mimetic](#) 3D geometry through [image processing](#) of coral reef textures.
- Worked as a team to design and 3D print the project using clay.

Rhizome | 2018

- Programmed the sound-based lighting behavior using [C++](#) and [Arduino](#).
- Worked as part of a team to design an interactive sound and light [installation](#).

The Urban Visage | 2017

- Spearheaded the design, development, and presentation of an urban [installation](#) with 1000 unique pieces.
- [Managed](#) a team of 10+ students in order to [fabricate](#) and [assemble](#) the structure.

