Amin Babar

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OVERVIEW

Languages and Technologies: JavaScript, Python, React, REST, GIT, RSpec Testing, Redux, Rails, Express.js, Node.js, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, AWS (Cloud Technology), jQuery, D3.js, Ruby, C, C++, SQL, HTML, CSS, Assembly, SCSS, Bash, Java, Clojure, Prolog, Haskell, and Perl

Software: STATA, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Photoshop, Unity, WordPress, Excel, Salesforce, and Heroku

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Lead Software Engineering Instructor, App Academy, New York, NY

Nov 2021 - July 2024

- Trained others in and developed web applications using modern technologies, including React, Redux, JavaScript, Rails, Express.js, Node.js, MongoDB, AWS, Canvas, and D3.
- Trained and managed a team of 8 instructors and collaborated with cross functional teams to ensure project delivery.
- Contributed to in-house software development used by peers for day-to-day tasks at App Academy.
- Conducted SQL-based statistical analysis to assess and optimize instructor and student performance metrics.
- Hired new instructors by conducting behavioral and technical interviews ensuring right fit for the team.
- Used Salesforce to generate and manage detailed performance reports.

Computer Science and Robotics Department Head, Ranney School, Tinton Falls, NJ

Sept 2020 - Nov 2021

- Established the school's first Computer Science Department and designed a scalable curriculum.
- Developed and taught courses in C++, Python, HTML, CSS, and Scratch for middle and upper school students.
- Supervised an assistant robotics coach and mentored them in technical project management.
- Planned and managed VEX robotics competitions, with teams qualifying for state championship.

Research Assistant, Human Computer Interaction Lab, Tufts University, Medford, MA

Summer 2019

- Improved and optimized the real-time measurements from the FNIRS device by using machine learning, pandas and NumPy libraries to capture the brain state in different user-oriented tasks.
- Created the front-end interface using Tkinter for various tasks to achieve different brain states.
- Designed and built a device to affix multiple data probes to test subjects to obtain readings from the prefrontal cortex.
- Recruited and run an experiment on 20 people while ensuring minimal changes between different experiments.

Research Assistant, Computer Science Department, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY

Summer 2018

- Optimized Akiba and Iwata's Branch and Reduce algorithms in Java.
- Improved the runtime of Akiba and Iwata's code on the Stanford Web Graph by analyzing and implementing reductions based on maximum critical independent sets.
- Utilized scripting methods in Bash to run the branch and reduce algorithm on multiple graphs and documented the results.

Senior Digital Media Tutor, Burke Library, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY

Summer 2017 – Summer 2020

- Designed and ran a course biweekly for other tutors to train them in developing games in Unity.
- Provided technical assistance to students and aided them with 3D-printing, virtual reality, scanning, and utilizing digital software packages including Unity, Adobe suite products, WordPress, Word, and Excel.

PROJECTS

Adventure Book, (React/JS, Redux, Rails/Ruby, AWS, JBuilder, SCSS)

Live Site | GitHub

- Implemented user authentication with **BCrypt** for secure logins and session management across a **React-Redux** frontend and **Rails backend**.
- Built React components and Rails backend with **CRUD** functionality for posts, comments, likes, user profiles, friend requests, and **AWS S3** image uploads.
- Established **RESTful API** endpoints to ensure smooth communication between frontend and backend systems.

AI Othello Player with Algorithmic Optimization, (Python)

GitHub

- Implemented Minimax, Alpha-Beta Pruning, and Iterative Deepening Search (IDS) for optimized decision-making.
- Designed a custom heuristic for strategic control, achieving a 96%-win rate.
- Enhanced performance by reducing runtime by 70% through algorithmic optimizations.

EDUCATION

Hamilton College, Clinton, NY

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science, 2020

Scholarship: Raphel Scholarship at Hamilton College

Relevant Coursework: Artificial Intelligence, Data Structures, Python, Algorithms, Principles of Programming Languages, Data Bases, Computer Organization, Economic Statistics, Macroeconomic Theory, Linear Algebra, Calculus II, Calculus III