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A learner and explorer, with 3 years of experience, carrying an interest in the field of network security, cloud architecture, and system design.

EDUCATION

Singapore University of Technology and Design

Class of 2016

Bachelor of Engineering with Honours majoring in Information Systems Technology and Design. Specialization: Security and Communications, Artificial Intelligence.

SKILLS

Core - Angular, Python, C++, Containerization Tech, Git, Linux, GNU Make, Nginx, Sys Admin, and Databases,

Additional - Javascript, Java, HTML, CSS, GDB, PostgreSQL, OpenCV, Ruby-on-Rails, SQLite, Laravel, Vue, Flutter.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer in MicroSec Pte. Ltd.

Dec'17 - Now

A Full Stack Engineer involved in design, architecture, and implementation of multiple products which handles TLS Certificate Lifecycle Management.

- Designing and architecting products using various Crypto technologies including Elliptic Curve Crypto, RSA Crypto which manages multiple Certificate Systems.
- System Administration of our technologies in different domains including bare metal deployments in Data Centers, containers in AWS Cloud, and Embedded Systems.
- Incorporating multifaceted requirements required for a complete product suite: Database Systems, Frontend Frameworks, and Business Logic.
- Microsec products are network agnostic: Configuration of various network protocols including LoRaWAN, Bluetooth, NBIoT, MQTT.
- A multithreaded concurrent network server which implements an end to end TLS 1.3 equivalent security stack for ultra-low powered embedded devices.
- Continuous Integration and Deployment of products across Data Centers and Cloud Systems.
- Supervision and management of interns to full time employees following companies operating procedure.
- Use Case driven feature and sprint planning following Agile and Scrum Principles.

Tech Stack: C++, Python, Flask, SQLAlchemy, Hypothesis, Docker, Nginx, CI, Puppet, PostgreSQL, Vue, Angular, Valgrind, Wireshark, AWS EC2, Droplets, X509 Certificates, Certificate Authority.

Research Assistant in iTrust Research Center for CyberSecurity

Nov16 - Oct17

Common Industrial Protocol (CIP) is a realtime network protocol being used in Secure Water Treatment (SWaT) testbed at SUTD. I followed specifications to implement a concurrent server to be used in simulation and various research purposes.

- Analyzed and reconstructed high volume CIP packets of both TCP and UDP variants using wireshark.
- Designed application using TDD and SOLID principles of OOP.
- The library was used in a CaptureTheFlag event in an international inter-university competition for Secure Cyber-Physical (Scy-Phy) Systems Week.
- Deployed and maintained the web challenge in Amazon EC2.
- Analysed Networks for vulnerabilities in testbeds: SWat and EPIC.

Tech Stack: Python, Flask, Wireshark, LxC, EtherNet/IP.

Publication: A. Siddiqi, N. O. Tippenhauer, D. Mashima, and B. Chen, "On practical threat scenario testing in an electric power ics testbed," in Proceedings of the cyber-physical system security workshop (cpss), co-located with asiaccs, 2018.

Prototype, developed, and participated in the initial deployment of a configuration panel across mutliple remote machines.

Learnt and developed JS based web service following TDD principles.

Tech Stack: Node, Python, Express.

Teaching Assistant in General Assembly

Aug - Sep'16

Assisted instructors to teach students the basics of programming, web development, and CLI magic.

- Taught Git, HTML, CSS, Javascript, and Express.
- Managed multiple tasks including grading programming tests and evaluating student projects.

Web Developer Intern in Tinkerbox Studios

May - Aug'15

Summer Internship where I developed business logic and implemented test cases of projects.

- Practiced Test Driven Development using Ruby-on-Rails.
- Worked on models, views, and controllers and wrote/refactored their new/old tests.
- Implemented simple front-end interactive pages.

Tech Stack: Rails, HTML, CSS, Heroku.



Social Project for Children with Autism

Sep'16 - Nov'17

Special needs children may be able to excel in programming. The project involved research, user data collection, designing, and testing a new curriculum to teach children basic coding concepts.

- Analysing base performance by conducting several tests, surveys and measuring their memory and sequential task handling capability.
- Data classification and curriculum design in a fun and analogous manner which teaches core concepts of programming.
- Students who were able to partially communicate where able to perform all programming related tasks
 which involved recreating lego blocks from memory, reading and correctly recreating steps of visual code
 blocks, and finally solving difficult challenges with little to no assistance.

Stack: Edison Robot, Research.

Capstone Project - Interactive Animatronic Dragon

Jan - Aug'16

An animatronic dragon which scans its vicinity using OpenCV toolkit triggering movement to its multiple sections in the body. I setup the network for the communication between different paths and helped programmed some motors.

- Worked in a student team of 6 people from different technical tracks.
- Implemented an ad-hoc network with static IP for P2P connections between two RaspberryPi.
- Developed a state machine to map and categorize different outputs to user inputs.
- Assisted in programming the movement of mechanical sections by interfacing physical mechanical relays.

Tech Stack: Python, OpenCV.

ACTIVITIES

External Involvements - NUS XCTF 2016, Finalists for APEX Business-IT Global Case Challenge 2016, SG50 Hackathon 2015 Smart Nation, Secretary for University Photography Club.

Interests - Photography, Running, Non-Profit Social Events, Exploring Culture, CaptureTheFlag, Network Security, Physical Systems Security, Linux, Arch and Emacs.

Languages - English (Full Professional Proficiency), Bengali (Native).