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I am a curious individual holding a keen interest in the field of network system architecture, embedded systems, and security. I strive for learning and continous improvement and bring my experience in design thinking to provide quick feedback cycle.

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 - Python, C++, Docker, Git, Linux, GNU Make.

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 - Present

A Deep Tech IoT company where I am leading the technical design, development, and maintenance of a web server, System Administration, and Intern management and supervision. Additionally, I am assisting in Backend Web Development, and Customer Support.

- Engineering a multithreaded concurrent network server which provides an end to end TLS 1.3 equivalent security for ultra-low powered embedded devices which supports various protocols: LoRaWAN, Bluetooth, NBIoT, etc.
- Database schema design to ensure non-duplicate data accross multiple instances of the network server.
- Supervision and training to develop interns to full time employees following companies work culture.
- Intern Management on an average of 5 candidates per batch.
- Development of continuous integration pipelines, managing cloud deployments for pilot projects, ensuring high system availability and basic system administration.
- Development of new features and business logic in our Web Stack.
- Use Case driven feature planning and sprint planning following Agile Principles.
- Multiple customer support duties on-site and off-site to install, update, and maintain our products.

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

Research Assistant in iTrust Research Center for CyberSecurity

Nov'16 - Oct'17

Developed and implemented a network protocol library to reproduce packets of Common Industrial Protocol (CIP) for Secure Water Treatment (SWaT) testbed.

- Analyzed and reconstructed high volume CIP packets for both TCP and UDP section using wireshark.
- Designed and implemented an API for the package using TDD and SOLID principles of OOP.
- The library was used in a CaptureTheFlag competion in an international inter-university competition for Secure Cyber-Physical (Scy-Phy) Systems Week.
- Deployed and maintained a web challenge in Amazon EC2 for the competition.
- Research and Network Analysis 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.

Web Developer in Souschef

Oct'16 - Jan'17

Prototyping and development of a configuration panel which takes user input, stores in a DB, and uploads them across multiple remote machines

• Improve my knowledge in the fundamentals of JS, Express, and TDD. A part-time adventure.

Tech Stack: Node, Python, Express.

Teaching Assistant in General Assembly

Aug - Sep'16

Assisted instructor to help teach students the basics of web development.

- Taught CLI, git, HTML, CSS, Javascript, and Express.
- Managed multiple tasks which included analyzing project codes and programming tests.

Web Developer Intern in Tinkerbox Studios

May - Aug'15

Programmed backend functionality and wrote test cases for projects following agile methodology.

- 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

Researched and designed a new curriculum to teach programming concepts and simple robotics to special needs children.

- Analyzed the students initial performance by taking several tests which measured their memory and sequential task handling abilities.
- The curriculum used Edison robot to provide the visual interface for programming and Lego bricks as a simple building block for robotics and integrates them.

Stack: Edison Robot, Academic Research.

Capstone Project - Interactive Animatronic Dragon

Jan - Aug'16

Established a network to transfer data between multiple sections of a prototype of an animatronic dragon which detects user movements in its peripherals to provide interactive feedback. The full project includes design and construction of mechanical, aesthetic, and user experience.

- Implemented an ad-hoc network with static IP for P2P connections between two RaspberryPi.
- Developed a state machine to categorize different out puts according to user inputs.
- Used Open CV to detect user movement to be used as inputs for the statemachine.
- Worked in a student team of 6 people from different technical tracks.

Tech Stack: Python, OpenCV.

Web Development - Non-academic University Project

Dec'15 - July'16

Create a platform for a booking system of graduate students seating.

Developed the platform using Laravel and hosted in university server.

Tech Stack: Laravel, Artisan, Php.

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).