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## EDUCATION

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### University of Oxford

September 2024

*Master of Science in Advanced Computer Science*

*Oxford, England*

- **GPA:** 4.00/4.00 (Distinction)
- **Research Projects:**
  - \* *Extending Perfectly Secure Steganography to Generative Diffusion Models* (Dissertation, exp. ICLR publication)
  - \* Analysis and Optimization of Readouts for Learning Classifiers on Multi-Relational Graphs ([report](#)) ([code](#))
  - \* Variational Continual Learning with Laplacian Approximation Families ([report](#)) ([code](#))
  - \* Improving Temporal Graph Networks via Learnable Aggregation ([report](#)) ([code](#))
  - \* Enhancing Classical Quantum Circuit Simulation via Partial Stabilizer Decomposition ([report](#)) ([code](#))
  - \* Diagrammatic Quantum Solution for Linear Systems ([report](#))

### Duke University

May 2023

*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Mathematics (Double Major)*

*Durham, North Carolina*

- **GPA:** 3.98/4.00 (in majors)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Languages:** *Python, Java, JavaScript, Ruby, C/C++, C#, Haskell, SQL, Rust, PHP, R, M, MIPS Assembly*

**Frameworks:** *Pytorch, Pandas, React, Node.js, Material-UI, GraphQL, TensorFlow, Keras, JUnit*

**Developer Tools:** *Git, Docker, Jupyter, VS Code, CircleCI, IntelliJ, PyCharm, Colab*

## EXPERIENCE

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### Duke University

Jan. 2021 – May 2023

*Teaching Assistant*

*Durham, North Carolina*

- **Courses:** Computer Vision (Graduate Level), Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Discrete Mathematics
- Led recitation sections and held weekly office hours
- Graded 200+ assignments each week for three of the largest on-campus classes

### Meta

Summer 2022

*Research Intern*

*Menlo Park, California*

- Collaborated on Droidlet, a research project to build “a one-stop shop for modular, intelligent agents” (i.e. robots)
- Created real-time AI interaction tool to visualize agent memory state and provide ability to edit tags on the fly
- Worked with cross-functional AR/XR teams to maximize compatibility of Droidlet agents with other platforms
- Optimized agent-to-dashboard pipeline communication for enhanced human interactability and live metric analysis

### Facebook

Summer 2021

*Software Engineering Intern*

*Remote*

- Designed new fraud detection immunity framework, reducing weekly losses by \$1+ million across millions of users
- Utilized GraphQL, Thrift, and proprietary programming languages (Haskell/PHP dialects) for immediate impact
- Refactored swaths of low-level code for improved efficiency and mitigated security risks to meet rising standards

## PROJECTS

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**GryZX** | *C++, CUDA, Python, Rust, Linux*

- Developer for novel quantum simulation software utilizing GPUs for accelerated ZX-diagram simplification
- Designed to implement most features of PyZX and QuZX libraries, with optimizations for especially large circuits

**Food Devil** | *Python, TypeScript, React, Node.js, MongoDB, Git*

- Created crowd-sourced review website designed for students dining at various eateries across Duke’s campus
- Implemented several requested features, including diet tracking, meal recommendations, and a campus-wide feed
- Incorporated a complete nutritional database of all offered options at each venue