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Python, Java, C++, PHP, Racket, JavaScript

Summary

Computer Science graduate student at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) with over 2 years of academic research experience and over 7 years of industry experience taking on roles such as Software Engineer, and Programmer.

Education

University of Alabama at Birmingham | Alabama, USA

Jan 2022 - Dec 2024

- MS in Computer Science

GPA: 3.80/4.00

Experience

Graduate Research Assistant | University of Alabama at Birmingham | Alabama, USA

Jan 2022 - Aug 2024

- Brouhaha** (Prototype Research Compiler): Led a team of three students in developing Brouhaha, which outperforms other compilers like Chicken and Guile, achieving **3x** better running times for certain benchmarks. This performance primarily results from performing control flow analysis (k-CFA) to detect function inlining opportunities. [Github Link](#)
- Compiler**: Wrote a functional compiler in **Racket** that translates minimal Racket code into C++. [Github Link](#)

Software Engineer | BANGLA SEARCH ENGINE (PIPILIKA) | Sylhet, Bangladesh

Aug 2017 - Mar 2021

- Search Relevancy Improvement**: Enhanced keyword-based search relevancy by 35% through redesigning the Apache Solr schema, extracting Bangla Unicode data, and implementing Solr's dismax query parser.
- Large-Scale Data Search Portal**: Developed a generic approach using **Scrapy** to crawl, parse, and index unstructured data from over 40,000 websites, boosting indexed data by 18% and enhancing search capabilities.
- Solr Analytic Library**: Wrote RESTful API using **Spring Boot** to provide domain-specific time series data for Solr projects, improving reporting capabilities and reducing the debugging time by 20%.
- TIG Stack Deployment**: Implemented TIG (**Telegraf**, **InfluxDB**, **Grafana**) Stack on Pipilika's server for real-time infrastructure monitoring, reducing downtime through proactive issue detection.

Programmer | SOUTHEAST UNIVERSITY | Dhaka, Bangladesh

Apr 2015 - Aug 2017

- Served over 3 months as the in-charge of the Information Technology (IT) department, managing all IT operations and ensuring efficient and effective technology solutions across the organization.
- Introduced an Online Admission System using **PHP**, **MySQL**, and **Bootstrap3**, contributing to 25% of total admissions.
- Improved the University Support System software report generation time by 30% by redesigning the **MySQL** schema.
- Coordinated and monitored vendor company in developing Human Resources Management System (HRMS) software.

Software Developer | IT LAB SOLUTIONS LTD | Sylhet, Bangladesh

Sep 2013 - Dec 2014

- Developed web-based shop management software for over 5 businesses using **CodeIgniter**, **MySQL**, and **Bootstrap3**.

Skills

- Programming Languages**: Python, Java, C, C++, PHP, Racket, JavaScript.
- Databases**: MySQL, MongoDB, Apache Solr
- Frameworks**: Spring Boot, Bootstrap3, CodeIgniter
- Technologies/Tools**: REST API, Jsoup, Scrapy, AJAX, HTML5, CSS3, Git, Docker, AWS, WordPress
- Development Methodologies**: SDLC, STLC, MVC, Agile, Scrum, Unit Testing

Extracurricular / Activities

- Judge**: Served as a judge of the Summer 2023 Undergraduate Research Expo, UAB.
- Treasurer**: Managed financial operations of the Bangladesh Student Association, a graduate student organization at UAB.