

# horseatplay

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## About me

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**Languages:** Python, Rust, C++, Java, SQL

**Tools:** Git, AWS, Docker, sqlite, Numpy, Pandas

**Interests:** Bouldering, A24 films, Golf, Chess

**Legal status:** Canadian, eligible for TN status

## Experience

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### Akuna Capital

Chicago IL, US

Quantitative Developer

Jul 2022 - Present

Junior Quantitative Developer

Feb 2021 - Jun 2022

Quantitative Developer Intern

Jun 2020 - Aug 2020

- Conducted research on methods of reducing network latency to the C++ market-data engine, leading to several millisecond performance gains on Binance and other exchanges.
- Built a service to automate and optimize capital allocation across exchanges by initiating on-chain transactions. Developed a linear programming algorithm in Python to minimize network fees.
- Improved reliability of the trading engine by developing a protocol for reconciling order states when receiving unreliable market data.
- On-boarded and managed a summer intern. Designed a project for them and supervised its completion.

### Apption Software

Ottawa, ON, Canada

Data Science Intern

Jan 2018 - Apr 2018

Performed data analysis on procurement contract life-cycle data to identify trends and relationships.

### Peraso Technologies

Toronto, ON, Canada

Software Engineer Intern

May 2017 - Aug 2017

Developed high-performance, low-latency firmware for multi-gigabit wireless embedded devices in C++.

## Projects

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**C Compiler:** Wrote a compiler for a subset of C, featuring loops, arrays, structs, and functions. It generated bytecode that could be interpreted by a virtual machine, or compiled to a CPU I designed.

**Natural language processing:** Generated trading signals based on a weighted sentiment analysis of experts, identified by web scraping social media accounts and comments online.

**Trivia Question Solver:** Developed a multiple-choice question solver for a popular trivia app using OpenCV to parse text from screenshots and NLTK to generate and rank search engine queries.

## Awards and Scholarships

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**Fulbright Scholarship (\$8,000):** Studied maths and machine learning at Ithaca College, NY.

**NSERC USRA (\$6,000):** Worked on WiGig wireless chipsets at Peraso.

**Rotman International Trading Competition (2019):** Placed 5th out of 52 schools. Developed algorithms and quantitative models to trade options, fixed-income, and commodities.

## Education

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### University of Ottawa

Ottawa, ON, Canada

BSc. Joint Honours in Computer Science and Mathematics, GPA: 3.9/4.0

Sep 2016 - Dec 2020

First place honors project: Deep RL for combinatorial games with exponential action spaces.