

# David Hacker

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## EDUCATION

2017 – 2021 **Computer Science**  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, 4.0  
UC San Diego

## WORK EXPERIENCE

JUNE 2017 – SEPT 2017

### Application Developer @ MyGolfFaves

React Native, Expo XDE

- Created iOS and Android apps for MyGolfFaves, a golfing discounts company
- Coordinated production of the backend API routes to link with the frontend

JULY 2016 – JAN 2017

### Full Stack Developer @ Blinks

MEAN stack, Materialize, Amazon S3, Heroku

- Added multi-threading to Blink's Android app to improve performance
- Created a backend for Blink's iOS sticker subscription service using Heroku, mLab, and Amazon S3
- Designed a corresponding admin panel using Materialize

MAR 2016 – AUG 2016

### Full Stack Developer @ IndieU

MEAN stack, Bootstrap, Amazon EC2

- Redesigned the website for IndieU, driving nearly 20% more traffic to the site
- Improved IndieU's music streamer by optimizing song file delivery
- Oversaw the two Amazon EC2 instances running IndieU's platform

## HONORS & AWARDS

AUG 2017 **Eagle Scout Award**  
APR 2017 **1st Place:** Startup Weekend Conejo Valley 2017  
MAR 2017 **Honorable Mention:** SIAM M3 Challenge (top 8% of teams)  
JAN 2016 **3rd Place:** MIT Zero Robotics 2015

## PROJECTS

FALL 2017

### Product Review Rater

Python, Gensim, Keras, Flask

- Developed machine learning algorithm to convert product reviews to product ratings on a scale from 0 to 5
- Trained 2 deep neural networks to learn semantic relationships between words
- Webscraped millions of Amazon reviews as training data for the networks

SUMMER 2017

### Alexa YouTube Skill

NodeJS, AWS Lambda, Heroku, FFmpeg

- Created a skill that lets Amazon Alexa devices play audio from YouTube videos
- Downloaded over 200 times
- Reviewed by the German tech channel Venix, which has over 10,000 subscribers

SUMMER 2016

### Text Compression Experiments

Python

- Developed custom compression algorithm combining existing designs
- Outperformed standard zlib compression in over 50% of input texts
- Implemented the Weismann score efficiency metric for determining strength of the compression algorithm

SPRING 2016

### Photorealistic Rendering Engine

Java, Swing

- Created ray tracer that can show light refraction and reflection
- Implemented k-d tree structure to quickly detect ray-object collisions
- Ran several threads in parallel to speed up image generation

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

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| LANGUAGES  | Java, Python, JavaScript, C++, HTML, CSS, SQL, $\text{\LaTeX}$    |
| FRAMEWORKS | MEAN stack, Flask, Firebase, React Native, Materialize, Bootstrap |