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Skills

- Experience in C, C++, Java, Python, ASM, Javascript, HTML/CSS, MATLAB.
- Thorough knowledge and understanding of algorithms and data structures.
- Advanced understanding of cryptographic algorithms and security principles.
- Experience in optimizing software for speed.
- Enjoys solving interesting and challenging problems.

Education

- 2015–2020 Candidate for BSE (Software Engineering), University of Waterloo.
 - 2014 Student in Compilers and Algorithms Courses, Stanford University.
- 2011–2015 High School Diploma, TOPS Program, Marc Garneau C.I., Toronto, ON.

Work Experience

2015 Summer Intern, Sunnybrook Research Institute, Toronto, ON.

Created, improved, and optimized software used in Medical Biophysics Research.

- Optimized differential equation-solving simulator to operate twice as fast as original.
 - Worked with C++, using OpenMP and MPI for parallelization.
- Created GUI using Python to operate simulator for ease of use.
- Installed job scheduler on compute cluster to manage resource allocation.
- Managed compute cluster system administration and backups.

Awards and Achievements

2015 Hacker, Winning Team (AnonymEyes), Hack the North, Waterloo, ON.

Built a location-based video streaming app for emergency response and evidence collection.

- One of the top ten hacks out of 235 entries.
- Implemented custom video stream from Android to receiving server over UDP.
- 2015 Gold Medalist, Canadian Computing Olympiad, CEMC, Waterloo, ON.

5th place in the CCO, by the Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing.

- National algorithms programming contest written by over 3,500 secondary students.
- Used concepts such as graph theory, dynamic programming, and runtime analysis.
- 2015 Hacker, 2nd Place Team (Resistora), Tech Retreat, Waterloo, ON.

Created a mobile app to read resistance values off resistors using the phone camera.

- Learned Android Camera API, used Mathematica for data analysis.
- Wrote computer vision algorithms to recognize band locations and colours from scratch.