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## EDUCATION

**MSc Artificial Intelligence, Queen Mary University of London** **2023-2024**

Relevant modules: Machine Learning (75.5%), Neural Networks and NLP (95.2%), Artificial Intelligence (93%), Computer Vision (72.3%)

**BSc Computer Science, Queen Mary University of London (First Class with Honours)** **2020-2023**

First year grade: 1:1 (85%), Second year grade: 1:1 (80%), Third year grade: 1:1 (81%)

Relevant modules: Algorithms & Data Structures (93.2%), Software Engineering (72.4%), Deep Learning and Neural Networks (81%)

**The Elmgreen School, London** **2014-2020**

**A levels:** Mathematics (A\*) Further Maths (A) Computer Science (A\*) Physics (A)

**GCSEs:** 9 GCSEs grade A\* - B, including Mathematics (A\*), Double Science (A\*-A\*) and English (B)

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Python | Java | HTML & JS | Figma | Pytorch | React | Keras

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Computer Vision trainee, Checklens, Austria – 4 months** **April-July 2024**

- Collaborated with the head of the Computer Vision team, gaining hands-on experience in object detection for self-checkout systems using YOLOv8.
- Engaged in weekly training sessions, where progress was reviewed and feedback was provided, ensuring the development and refinement of my project.
- Applied deep learning techniques to develop a model capable of accurately detecting items in real-time.

**Web Technology Intern, Softwire, London Office – 1 week** **October 2019**

- Shadowed employees in the web development division and gained an insight into project management and teamwork with other employees.
- Developed a quiz website using HTML, CSS, and JS. The website extracted data from an API and automatically displays the quiz results.

**Customer Service Assistant, NatWest, Streatham London – 1 week** **February 2017**

- Provided excellent customer service in a busy branch for a week, responsible for handling customer queries and complaints.
- Gained communication skills and resilience.

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## PROJECTS

**VisionBuilder** - A user-friendly drag-and-drop website builder designed for developers. It allows seamless integration of pre-existing code into the design interface, enabling real-time code viewing and editing. The streamlined workflow ensures easy export of completed designs as HTML and CSS files, blending the complexity of coding with the simplicity of visual design.

**upReach Tech500 and Samsung Hackathon** – Effectively lead a diverse team of students to brainstorm, develop and create an app design/system based on raising awareness of local business. Utilised Figma to design a mobile app and employed a variety of problem solving, leadership and technical skills, and delivered a presentation to industry professionals.

**Online Examination System** – Object oriented system developed using HTML, JS, and jQuery. Worked in a group of students, designed the system using domain model analysis and delivered a presentation to an industry professional. This project was awarded 'Best Software Engineering Project'.

**Weather app** – Used React JS and OpenWeather API to deploy a mobile app targeted at farmers. Features of the app include weekly and monthly forecast, agriculture suggestions and dynamic backgrounds.

**Portfolio website** – Built website using HTML, CSS, JS, PHP, and SQL. The portfolio includes a login system and blog service.

**Colour Switch Maze Game** – Used pygame framework to develop a maze game with enemies and coins. Features include coloured buttons that control coloured walls, score, timer, and player life hearts.

**CIFAR-10 Image classification** – Developed a deep convolution neural model to classify pieces of clothing using a custom backbone made up of convolutional and linear layers. Accuracy achieved: 86%.

**Football player detection:** Developed a football player detection system using YOLOv8 for accurate real-time player identification.

**Languages:** English (Fluent), Spanish (Native), French (Beginner), Arabic Darija (Fluent).