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EMPLOYMENT

Software Engineer Microsoft Jan 2019 – Current

- Interviewed customers and performed a competitive analysis to develop new features for Visual Studio.
- Managed a remote vendor team in performing automated and manual tests of Visual Studio features with OKRs.
- Developed tools and automated pipelines to improve engineering systems and deprecate manual processes.
- Led a mentor ring, participated in the Microsoft Tech Resilience Program, and organized team social events.

Graduate Research Assistant E-Crime Investigative Tech. Lab

Jan 2017 – May 2018

- Collaborated with a team of 11 to develop an iOS machine learning data extraction app for law enforcement.
- Programmed 3 data extraction systems based on computer vision and file meta-data analysis using Swift.
- Designed and implemented 7+ iterations of a novel wordbreaking (NLP) algorithm using Python (w/ NLTK).

VR Developer, Intern

Covalent Reality

Jun 2016 - May 2017

- Led the development of 2 commercial VR experiences using UE4 (C++) and Unity 3D (C#).
- Developed a VR ArchViz template using UE4 (Blueprints) to reduce project initialization labor by ~90%.
- Created video tutorials and hosted weekly seminars to help new hires learn various aspects of VR development.

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Florida State University

Jan 2016 - May 2018

- Delivered lectures to classrooms of 50+ students.
- Guided students through course material in recitations and office hours.
- Courses: Intro. to Programming (C++), Object Oriented Programming (C++), Computer Organization, AI.

EDUCATION

Tallahassee, FL

Florida State University

May 2015 – Aug 2018

• MS in Computer Science. GPA: 4.0.

Boston, MA

Boston University

Sep 2011 – May 2015

• BS in Biomedical Engineering with Minor in Mechanical Engineering. GPA: 3.0.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author: An Empirical Study on Efficiency of a Dictionary Based Viterbi Algorithm for Word Segmentation. 2020 IEEE International Conference on Big Data, 2020.
- Co-Author: A Targeted Data Extraction System for Mobile Devices. Advances in Digital Forensics XV, 2019.

LANGUAGES AND TECHNOLOGIES

- C#, .NET, C++, Python, Swift, C#, Java, C, Javascript, NodeJS, HTML, CSS.
- Visual Studio, XCode, Android Studio, iOS/Android Development, Unreal Engine 4, Unity 3D.
- Git, Mercurial, Perforce, UNIX, Latex, MATLAB, Azure DevOps, GitHub.