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# **OBJECTIVE**

Junior Physics/CS double major at Georgia Tech looking for an internship in SUMMER/FALL 2016.

## **EDUCATION**

# Georgia Institute of Technology, Double Major

Atlanta, Georgia

Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (AI and Modeling-Simulation)

Candidate for **Bachelor of Science** in **Physics** 

Expected May 2017

### **EXPERIENCE**

### Student Research Assistant, Otte Lab, School of Physics

January 2016 - Present

- Worked on performance studies of novel photon detectors for future gamma-ray instruments.
- Running gamma ray/photon detector simulations on GT Inchworm Federation. Simulations written in C++.
- Packages used: CERN ROOT Data Analysis Framework, ROBAST and some optics packages.
- Link: <a href="http://otte.gatech.edu/student-projects/">http://otte.gatech.edu/student-projects/</a>

### Big Data and Learning Analytics Vertically Integrated Program

August 2015 - Present

- Working with a team of 12 to analyze and improve Georgia Tech's 30 MOOCs.
- Duties include curating and storing big data, setting up data warehouses, and developing software and methods for data analysis that can be used to improve learning in the classroom.
- Currently working in a sub-group analyzing data from Coursera and setting up a data warehouse using SQL while also testing other stacks.

# **Developer and Analyst, Cryptomen – Startup**

July 2014 – February 2015

- Part of a 5 person startup that raised \$47,000 in cryptocurrency investment.
- Duties include contributing to a program for trading cryptocurrencies online and analyzing different cryptocurrencies in Python and Matlab.

### **GEORGIA TECH PROJECTS**

#### **Cellular Automata - Computational Physics Class**

January 2015 – May 2015

- Worked in a team of 3 to create a simulation software and write a paper on cellular automata.
- Programming in Java. Created a software to model cellular automata.
- Wrote a short paper to show the capabilities of the software and draw inferences on cellular automata.

Link: https://github.com/karanprime/Cellular-Automata-Project

# **Android Development - Objects and Design Class**

January 2015 - May 2015

- Worked in a team of 5 to create a socially driven shopping phone application.
- · Programming through Android Studio and using Gradle Automation System to build our projects.

# **Sunset Observation Project – Astronomy Class**

*August 2013 – December 2013* 

- Wrote a paper analyzing the movement of the Sun throughout the semester.
- Took regular observations of the sunset measuring angles and distance of the sun from defined landmarks. Used tools such as digital protractors and Adobe Photoshop to measure angles. Link: <a href="http://www.prism.gatech.edu/~kshah84/SUNSETpdfFinal.pdf">http://www.prism.gatech.edu/~kshah84/SUNSETpdfFinal.pdf</a>

#### **SKILLS**

#### Software

Java, C, C++, Matlab, Python, Mathematica, SQL, LaTex, HTML/CSS, Git

### **Computer Science Concepts**

Algorithm design and analysis, Probability and Statistics

#### Hardware

Raspberry Pi, Arduino

## **Computer Engineering Concepts**

Logic Gates, Karnaugh Maps, Transistors

## **Spoken Languages**

English, Hindi, Gujarati

#### Instrumentation

General electronics and circuits, Soldering, 3D Printing

# LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

### Co-Founder, Bitcoin@GT, Georgia Tech's Official Bitcoin Club

August 2014 - August 2015

- Founded Georgia Tech's Bitcoin Club.
- Conducted presentations on using Bitcoins. Oversaw marketing tactics to generate interest and awareness about Bitcoin.
- Organized events in collaboration with companies such as Bitpay and organizations like Atlanta Bitcoin Meet.

# **Editor, Cryptomen**

July 2014 – February 2015

- Handled team meetings. Each member of the 5 person team had very different skill sets.
- Maintained the company blog. Did research and wrote my own articles on cryptocurrencies. Moderated other articles.
- Handled marketing on social media (Facebook, Twitter, Reddit, Bitcoin forums).

### Member, Financial Programming Committee

- Helped in organizing Finance Career Fair 2014.
- Invited employers to the fair, managed logistics, handled students at the fair.

# HONORS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Dean's List: Fall'13, Spring'14, Spring'15, Fall'15
- Responsible Conduct of Research Stage 1 Certificate, CITI, License 15693882
- Top 1 percentile in Indian National Astronomy & Astrophysics Olympiad, 2012

#### OTHER CAMPUS JOBS

# Center for Non Linear Science, School of Physics

January 2015 – August 2015

- Helped in producing a specialized open online course for a graduate course on chaos theory.
- Duties include producing video lectures, making an in-house MOOC system with auto-graders and solving any problems as the show up.

  Link: <a href="http://www.chaosbook.org">http://www.chaosbook.org</a>

### E-Text Production Assistant, Alternate Media Access Center

May 2014 – March 2015

 Digitizing books into a machine readable format using software such as ABBYY FineReader and Adobe Acrobat Pro, using MATHML to convert technical literature into an accessible format, converting normal documents into accessible formats.

# Student Event Assistant, Georgia Tech Athletic Association February 2014 – December 2014

 Enforcing policies and procedure during athletic events, handling guest complaints and concerns, deterring disruptive behavior, having knowledge of all credentials and enforcing restricted access areas.