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# EDUCATION

## Pursuing B. S. in Computer Science and Mathematics – University of Texas at Austin

2018 - 2022

- Turing Scholars, Dean's Scholars honors programs
- Selected Coursework: Data structures/algorithms, discrete math, computer architecture, operating systems, linear algebra, differential equations, probability/statistics, computer vision, artificial intelligence
- Cumulative GPA: 4.0

#### SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, C, C++, Go, Javascript

Tools/Frameworks: UNIX, Git, SciPy ecosystem (numpy, scipy, pandas, scikit-learn), OpenCV, Tensorflow, PyTorch, Kubernetes, React, Blender, Solidworks

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## Product Engineering Intern - Asana

Summer 2020

• Completed and launched two major full-stack features relating to Asana's Forms

#### Software Infrastructure Intern – Bloomberg

Summer 2019

- Wrote a custom Kubernetes controller in Go in order to add distributed Tensorflow capabilities to an internal data science computing cluster
- Worked to train and benchmark large deep learning models in a distributed manner using my new features
- Gave a talk at the 2019 Kubeflow summit in Sunnyvale, CA on my work and results

## Engineering Intern - Silicon Labs

Summers 2018, 2017, 2016

- Summer 2018: Created a web application allowing employees within the company to view and analyze live updating chip characterization data
- Summer 2017: Performed embedded firmware development on the Silicon Labs EFM32 microcontrollers, additionally creating a Wireless Encrypted Voice Communication Demo (link) that is showcased on the company's blog
- Summer 2016: Worked in the failure analysis lab to perform semiconductor device measurement and characterization, as well as wrote Python and VBA scripts for data parsing, analysis, and presentation

### Research

### Texas Spacecraft Laboratory – Seeker Team Lead (sites.utexas.edu/tsl)

January 2019 – Present

- The <u>Seeker team</u> aims to perform real-time position and pose estimation of spacecraft based on a camera feed
- Our Seeker-1 software was chosen by NASA over competing internal prototypes and flew on a mission September 2019
- Our team was funded to continue research and development, particularly on pose estimation, as well as to apply our techniques to the upcoming Lunar Gateway space station
- Individual technical contributions:
  - \* Created a standalone Python library (<u>Starfish</u>) for generating synthetic training data using Blender that underpins our machine learning pipeline
  - \* Worked on other components of the pipeline for training and evaluating various deep computer vision models
  - \* Developed a custom model that achieved accurate real-time full pose estimation, surpassing our target speed of 1fps on a 1.7GHz processor
- All of the machine learning components are open source and can be found at github.com/autognc.

#### Projects

### copykey (devpost.com/software/copykey)

October 2018

- Uses OpenCV and OpenSCAD to process a several-second video of a standard pin tumbler key and turn it into a 3D-printable working copy
- Resulting keys printed in cheap PLA plastic were able to open several different Master, Schlage, and Kwikset locks FPGA Flight Controller (github.com/kevin3-black/fpga-flight-controller)

  May 2019
  - A fully working quadcopter flight controller created completely from scratch using SystemVerilog
  - Was able to fly a real custom-built drone with an onboard FPGA, gyroscope, and radio receiver

#### Vortex (devpost.com/software/911-call-handler)

September 2019

- An automated 911 call handler intended for disaster relief scenarios
- Uses natural language processing to cluster calls by incident, summarize each incident in a few words, and generate an interactive heatmap of incidents
- Deployed to a Kubernetes cluster running an Express.js and MongoDB stack

## Other Projects - kevinblack.dev

• Many more projects and details can be found in my portfolio