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### **EDUCATION**

### Masters in Computer Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

12/2025

• Coursework: Distributed Systems, Communication Networks, Database Systems

# Bachelors in Computer Science + Economics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

05/2024

• **GPA:** 3.8/4.0

• Coursework: Compilers, Systems Programming, Algorithms, Computer Architecture, Data Structures

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## Software Engineer (IEDO), Stanford University

05/2023 — 09/2023

- Prototyped alternatives to failing LDAP Perl scripts, reducing error count by 99.99%
- Securely synchronized PII of 50,000+ users via Kerberos system authentication
- Increased estimated throughput 25x by developing Docker software distributed via Google Kubernetes Engine

# Software Engineer, Synchrony

05/2022 - 12/2022

- Used Terraform (IaC) to securely deploy Google Cloud Platform (GCP) projects protecting \$100B+ in assets
- Reduced \$15K annually in redundant costs by creating a GCP workflow to automate budget reviews
- Researched migrating On-prem machines to Azure VMWare Solution, bettering user experience for 70M active users

# Research Assistant, Digital Humanities Project

10/2021 - 05/2022

- Detected faces of actors within moving and still images via Google MediaPipe and OpenCV2
- Developed skin detection pipeline to detect the average color of smooth skin patches on input faces
- Generated Makefile to enable multithreading and to streamline batch processing analysis on dataset of 1500+ images
- Resolved Python architecture inconsistencies for academic distribution across Apple Silicon machines

#### iOS Developer, Neuroleap

12/2019 - 01/2021

- Migrated 1K+ lines of code from Swift 4 to 5 for application that assists mental health diagnoses in children
- Implemented Text-to-Speech systems via Swift Speech Synthesis to aid 55K blind children
- Generated Makefile to enable multithreading and to streamline batch processing analysis on dataset of 1500+ images
- Moved results securely to the cloud for 120+ educational professionals to have multi-device support and data redundancy

# **PROJECTS**

# Parallelization, NCSA HPC Systems Workshop

- Remotely configured a high performance compute (HPC) cluster
- Optimized large yet common scientific computations using OpenMP (C++)
- Deployed solutions via Jobscript and saw over 10x speedups

# **Quotable, Google Software Product Sprint**

- Learned full stack web technologies (HTML & CSS for frontend with Java Servlets for backend)
- Brainstormed, designed, and created Quotable for 150M Kindle users
- Used React & Bootstrap for client side experience and Firebase for the database, authentication, and multiuser support
- Deployed application using serverless scalable Google Cloud App Engine

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

# Associate Cloud Engineer Certification, Google

08/2022

- Set up a cloud solution environment (configure network, access, security, etc)
- Plan, configure, deploy, implement, and ensure successful operation of a cloud solution

#### **SKILLS**

Languages: C/C++, Python, Java, Lua, Swift, Javascript, Typescript, OCaml, Assembly (MIPS), Verilog, LaTeX

**Libraries & Tools**: GCP, Azure, AWS, Terraform, Docker, Kubernetes, Firebase, MongoDB, SQL, Flask, REST, Git, Unix/Linux, Tmux, Neovim, OpenMP, MPI, Jobscript