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EDUCATION

University of Michigan

Class of 2022

B.S.E. in Computer Science (expected)

Relevant Coursework:

C++ Programming and Introductory Data Structures (EECS 280), Discrete Math (EECS 203), Introduction to Linguistic Analysis, (LING 210) at U-M

Advanced Machine Learning, Differential Equations, Advanced Mechanics in high school

Clubs and Organizations:

UM::Autonomy (autonomous vehicle design team), MIDAS (Michigan Institute of Data Science) Computational Music Theory, Project Music (experimental musical instrument design)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Sep 2018 - Present

MIDAS Research Group - midasmusictheory.org

Python, OpenCV, music21, Tesseract

- Research assistant for the Michigan Institute for Data Science project "A Computational Study of Patterned Melodic Structures Across Musical Cultures," a collaborative research project between EECS, Math, and Music faculty.
- Developed novel method of optical mark recognition to detect and process Devanagari script
 and additional markings to produce a computer-readable archive of Indian music compositions
 documented in 1860. Corpus will be used for data analysis to determine data-driven musicological conclusions between other musical traditions including Irish folk music and Baroque
 music.

Full Stack Developer

Jun 2017 - Sep 2018

YouSound - yousound.com

Vue, AWS, socket.io, Node.js

- Singlehandedly developed a scaleable backend for an artist chat platform using Node.js and socket.io, deployed at production scale using AWS.
- Implemented a web-scale video live-streaming platform (like twitch.tv) using AWS Elemental MediaLive, MediaPackage, and CloudFront.
- Worked directly with founder and designers to implement and integrate Vue.js front-end
 for the chat platform using existing and new APIs while rapidly adapting to and using a
 consistent code style.

Software Engineering Intern

Jun 2016 - Sep 2016

Primity Bio - primitybio.com

Angular, Node.js, Mocha

- Developed a web-based realtime, collaborative data analysis platform (similar to Google Docs) for clients to view flow cytometry data.
- Used test-based (Mocha) development with Node, Angular, and MongoDB.
- This work was presented at an FDA conference in Washington, D.C.

PROJECTS AND PUBLICATIONS (CLICK TITLES TO LEARN MORE)

Music Makeathon: 1st Place

Oct 2018

Realtime Sound-controlled Audio and Video Resampling

C++, JUCE, Max

Built a live, real-time audio processor with C++ and JUCE that uses an FFT comparison heuristic to replace input audio with audio from existing songs, producing a unique "remixing" effect. In addition, used Max to control video playback based on frequency and amplitude of input audio. The entire project was completed within 18 hours. **Won first place** in the U-M Project Music 2018 Makeathon. Featured in U-M Engineering Newsletter.

Conference Publication: Deep Neural Music Generation

Jun 2018 - Sep 2018

International Society of Music Information Retrieval 2018

Python, Keras, LATEX

"Adversarial Reinforcement Learning for Music Generation" using a generative adversarial network with music theory constraints. Accepted to ISMIR 2018, Late Breaking Session.

FRC Robot and Object Localization

Jan 2018 - Apr 2018

FieldAC

C++, OpenCV, Darknet

As part of FRC team, trained a custom model for an object detection framework (YOLOv3) on game pieces. Used a novel method for sensor fusion to maintain a field model using optical flow in conjunction with YOLOv3, onboard LiDAR, and IMU to estimate pose of robot and game pieces on the field. Model was used for an autonomous routine to manipulate the nearest game piece.

Independent Electronic Music Production

Oct 2016 - Present

Kanooli

Ableton Live

Regularly produce electronic compositions under the alias Kanooli. Developed branding strategy and accompanying website, and have accumulated over 200k plays through releases on several indie music labels with large audiences.

School Assistant Bot for Telegram

Aug 2017 - Jun 2018

Go, Telegram Bot API

Developed Telegram chat bot used by the majority of students at my high school to assist students with the frequently changing class schedule and upcoming homework assignments.

AutoMuse

Oct 2014 - June 2016

Automated computer music composition

Python, Keras

Used markov chains and LSTM neural networks to generate music from a dataset of scraped MIDI files.

SKILLS

Programming Languages

JS, Python, Go, Bash, C++, Java, Max/MSP

Frameworks and Technologies $\,$

Keras, Numpy, JUCE, Vue, OpenCV, Unreal Engine 4

Creative Software

Ableton Live, After Effects, Photoshop, Logic

Other

Git, AWS, GCP, Slack, Trello

Nachiketa Gargi, January 2019