# **Nicklaus Choo**

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#### **FDUCATION**

### CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, PITTSBURGH, PA, USA

**Major** Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

• Concentration in Theoretical Computer Science - Algorithms and Complexity

Expected Graduation **May 2022**Cumulative GPA **3.60**Dean's List | Fall 2019, Fall 2020

### SELECTED TECHNICAL COURSEWORK

#### **COMPUTER SCIENCE**

- · 10-701 Introduction to Machine Learning (PhD)
- · 15-411 Compiler Design (C++)
- 15-210 Parallel and Sequential Data Structures and Algorithms
- · 15-213 Introduction to Computer Systems
- 15-251 Great Ideas in Theoretical Computer Science
- 15-440 Distributed Systems (Java) (Spring 2021)
- 15-451 Algorithm Design and Analysis (Spring 2021)

#### **MATHEMATICS**

- 21-241 Matrices and Linear Transformations
- · 21-259 Calculus in 3D
- 15-259 Probability and Computing
- · 15-260 Statistics and Computing
- · 21-301 Combinatorics (Spring 2021)

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**ZODAJ** | Full Stack Software Engineer Intern • **USA** 

May 2020 - Aug 2020

- · Devised SMS and Android COVID-19 contact tracing for Senegal in partnership with Senegalese health authorities
- Designed NoSQL, PostgreSQL databases along with AWS Lambda RESTful API for TCN protocol contact tracing
- · Directed and implemented all permissions and roles within ZODAJ for Amazon AWS databases
- · Created exposure overlap algorithm for n people in a store that runs in max(O(k) or O(n log n)), where k is overlap count
- Wrote graph algorithms, discrete-time markov chain SIR epidemic modeling for tracking infections

# **BOSCH ASEAN** | Linux Systems Engineer Intern (DevOps) • **Singapore**

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Enabled Jenkins server to run 2 ISO builds in parallel (1 executor, 2 slaves) for testing via dynamic port allocation
- Identified bottleneck in diagnosing failed builds and wrote Bash scripts to mount QEMU disks on build servers for automatic log extraction, significantly reducing debugging time
- · Modified Jenkins pipeline to reduce deployment testing from 20 mins to 1 min
- Began migration of current inventory servers to new OCS inventory servers via Ansible for seamless configuration
- Authored Linux Debian package for unit tests automation (security/functionality) on new OS installations

# **EYEOTA PTE LTD** | Data Analytics Intern • **Singapore**

Dec 2017 - May 2018

- · Programmed data cleaning and classification of advertiser and buyer data from programmatic buy-side platforms
- · Extracted advertisers' target demographic trends via both web-scraping and buyers' purchasing data
- Streamlined updates of daily, weekly, and monthly audience data sales revenue via complete process automation

### **SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES** | Platoon Sergeant, Transport Formation • **Singapore**

Jan 2016 - Nov 2017

Initiated the automation of the human resource and daily vehicle accounting (available, under repairs, loaned out, on missions) of over 20 vehicle types and 400 individual units. This improved count time from 45 mins to 5 mins

### **A\*STAR SIMTECH RESEARCH** | Machine Learning Research Intern • Singapore

Jun 2014 - Dec 2014

- Selected as 6 of 1,140 students in my high school, Hwa Chong Institution, for a machine learning research internship
- Utilized k-means clustering, partial least squares regression, extreme learning machine, and multiple linear regression to predict ink cartridge lifespans with industry standard of > 97% accuracy, thus eliminating destructive batch-testing

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES | C | C++ | Bash | Python | Java | Kotlin | SML | HTML | CSS | JavaScript

### TOOLS FRAMEWORKS

Ansible - server configuration, OS startup configuration
AWS - Lambda, EC2, S3, RDS, DynamoDB, IAM, Neptune
Docker - containerized OS build testing, app testing
Front-end - .ISO download UI, log reporting, Android
Back-end - build pipeline optimization, DB integration
Agile - tri-weekly Sprint, daily SCRUM

Jenkins - continuous feature/pipeline testing and deployment
Terraform - TCN protocol backend configuration/deployment

# **INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS**

#### SHEET MUSIC ASSISTANT

· Created Python application built in TkInter utilizing optical and audio recognition to read sheet music PDFs, playback, display and automatically flip pages for musicians during live performance.

# **EXTRA-CURRICULARS**

· Course Tutor (Spring 2020) 15-251 Great Ideas in Theoretical Computer Science