

# OSWALDO RAMIREZ

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## Education

### Carnegie Mellon University

Expected May 2027

Master's of Science in Computer Science

Pittsburgh, PA

- **Research Advisor:** David Woodruff

### Carnegie Mellon University

August 2021 – May 2025

Bachelor's of Science in Computer Science & Mathematical Sciences

Pittsburgh, PA

- **Concentration:** Algorithms & Complexity
- **Relevant Coursework:** Distributed Systems, Computer Systems, Algorithms for Big Data, Parallel Algorithms, Algorithm Design & Analysis, Quantum Computing, Linear Algebra, Graph Theory, Combinatorics, Probability

## Experience

### Air Lab @ Carnegie Mellon University Robotics Institute

September 2023 – Present

Research Assistant

Pittsburgh, PA

- Optimized C++ algorithm for informed pathfinding by improving runtime of root-finding in a complex equation, achieving a **100x** speedup in computation
- Developed an algorithm for solving curve-curve-curve trochoid path problem, leveraging 2D Newton-Raphson
- Assembled fan-based wind-field simulation and motion capture integration to validate trochoid path algorithm

### FLIP National Fellowship @ FLIP National

May 2024 – August 2024

Technology Fellow

New York City, NY

- Redesigned and developed FLIP National's website using **React** and **Tailwind CSS**, improving user experience and accessibility
- Implemented a mailing list component integrated with HubSpot, managing **200+** subscriptions and streamlining communication
- Created a contact page to enhance user engagement and facilitate inquiries and built a secure donation page with PayPal and Stripe APIs, enabling seamless transaction processing

## Relevant Projects

### Rafts Consensus Algorithm | Go, RPC, Distributed Systems

Fall 2024

- Implemented the Raft consensus algorithm to maintain consistency across replicated state machines under network failures
- Designed leader election, log replication, and heartbeat mechanisms with randomized timeouts to ensure fault tolerance
- Verified correctness under adversarial conditions (dropped, reordered, and delayed RPCs) using **100+** automated tests

### Distributed Bitcoin Miner | Go, Networking, Concurrency

Fall 2024

- Built a distributed system that allocated proof-of-work hash computations across multiple miners via a custom RPC protocol
- Designed and implemented the Live Sequence Protocol (LSP) for reliable, ordered, and fault-tolerant communication in addition to UDP
- Developed a load-balancing server that divided mining jobs into sub-tasks, reassigned failed jobs, and aggregated results to minimize mean response time

### Dynamic Storage Allocator | C

Fall 2023

- Developed a dynamic memory allocator in C, supporting malloc, free, realloc, and calloc with 16-byte alignment and safe handling of edge cases like zero-size allocations and overflow
- Implemented segregated free lists with explicit doubly-linked blocks, LIFO insertion, and block splitting/coalescing, optimizing memory utilization and reducing fragmentation
- Built a robust heap checker to validate invariants, including header/footer consistency, free list integrity, alignment, and prologue/epilogue correctness, ensuring allocator reliability during dynamic testing

## Technical Skills

**Computer Languages:** Python, C++, C, SQL, Standard ML, Julia, HTML/CSS, JavaScript

**Technologies/Frameworks:** LaTeX, Linux, Git, Unreal Engine, Manim, Docker, React

**Certificates:** 2025 Amazon Campus Prep Series, Deloitte Digital's Salesforce Academy, Meta Back-End Developer Professional (In-progress), Amazon Junior Software Developer Professional (In-progress)