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Seeking internship for this summer

**Education**:

* Pursuing Bachelor’s Degree in Computer Science at **UC Berkeley** Class of 2022
* Currently taking Computer Science 61A and Data 8
* A-grade student and already completed AP Computer Science (Java), AP Calculus, AP Chemistry, Engineering Technology 1 & 2, AP Physics (Electro-magnetism), Advanced Computer Science Honors and AP Statistics

**Accomplishments**:

* Won **1st Place** at Los Altos Hacks: RoBotany
  + RoBotany is a project designed to help you plant stuff at home successfully. We built our own moisture sensor using 2 probes to measure the resistance in the soil. Then this moisture sensor sends the data to Firebase through a Raspberry Pi. The moisture data in Firebase is read by the iOS and Web app. The iOS app uses ARKit, location services, and google vision to help you plant plants that will do well in your area. And it will notify you when the moisture is low. The web app will show you real-time data from the moisture sensor.
* Won **3rd Place** at Menlo Hacks: Droid Control
  + Droid Control is a project that will help kids learn programming in real life without having to buy a real life object. The iOS app uses ARKit to show you a maze with your player in augmented reality. You can write code for the robot to finish the maze and see the robot move in AR! On the web app you can design a custom level that you can play in the app.
* Awarded **1st Place** in the Mountain View programming competition 2017 and most creative app in 2016 and 2015
* My app was selected among the top ten in the Mountain View App Challenge
* Recognized by **Mayor** of City of Mountain View for creating an iOS app for the City of Mountain View. It showcases citywide artwork using the Google Maps API and an XML database.

**Leadership**

* Boys Scouts - Eagle rank: MVHS softball field improvements and website launch
* Director of Mountain View Hacks: hackathon for high school students
* Mentoring young children to be software developers: Speaker at [JavaOne](https://www.oracle.com/java/javaone4kids.html)4Kids, [Silicon Valley Code Camp](https://www.siliconvalley-codecamp.com/Presenter/2016), [Silicon Valley CoderDojo](https://coderdojo.com/), and [Devoxx4Kids](http://www.devoxx4kids.org/)

**Other Activities:**

* Reviewing supercars and daily-drivers weekly on my YouTube channel, [Xcelerate](https://www.youtube.com/Xcelerate)
* **Boys Scouts of America (Eagle Rank)** – Actively assisting other scouts in their Eagle projects, and volunteering in multiple projects
* Currently working on developing a web app to simplify college applications
  + <https://collegeappplanner.com/>
* Recognized by **Mayor and Fire Chief** of City of Mountain View for volunteering and leading the effort towards organizing supplies for emergency preparedness

**Programming Skills**:

* Programming languages – Java, JavaScript, Unity C#, Salesforce force.com APEX, HTML, CSS, Python
* Operating Systems - MacOS, Linux, iOS, Windows, Android
* Databases – Firebase, XML, JSON
* iOS App Development using XCode with Swift and Objective-C

**Work Experience:**

* **Software Engineer Intern –** [LeanData](http://www.leandatainc.com/)**, Sunnyvale, CA Jun 2017 – Aug 2017**
  + LeanData is a next generation sales lead routing, management, and analytics tool that runs on the Salesforce cloud platform.
  + I learnt the Agile development methodology and participated in daily SCRUM calls.
  + I designed and developed the capability to cap the number of leads to be run through the round robin, to only allow leads to be run during working hours, and the ability to round robin a custom field.
    - Built the backend using APEX and built the frontend using JavaScript, HTML, and CSS
  + I also worked on fixing the existing production defects.
* **Internship– Mango Apps, Mountain View, CA Jun 2016 – Aug 2016**
  + I was having trouble finding an internship so once I found out that other students also couldn’t find internships, I decided to offer my own internship program. I built a team of 20 interns and over the course of each summer we built a new project (iOS, Android, and web) from inception to completion. Our projects included an app to tackle texting and driving and an app to speed up slow background checks.
* **Internship– Techlab Education, Saratoga, CA Jun 2015 – Aug 2015**
  + I taught an iOS app development class during summer and helped students who were also programming in other languages.
* **App Developer – ERP America, CA Jan 2015 – Present**
  + I created and now maintain the company website, and I am currently working on developing an app for professional conferences.
* **Instructor – Little Champs, Cupertino, CA Aug 2015 – Aug 2015**
  + I taught a one-week summer camp to 15 students. The summer camp was about iOS game development. I prepared the full curriculum for the camp and developed four small iOS games in a weeklong camp.

**Volunteer Activities:**

* **Director:** [**Mountain View Hacks**](https://mv-hacks.com/)
  + I organized Mountain View Hacks with a team of Mountain View High School students. Planning took over a year, and the event took place at Hacker Dojo on October 21, 2017
* **Volunteer Teacher:** **Oracle** [**JavaOne4Kids**](https://www.oracle.com/java/javaone4kids.html)
  + As part of the Oracle JavaOne conference, I taught 100 young disadvantaged students how to develop games using Java at Moscone Center.
  + The second time, I taught 100 students how to develop 3D games in Unity
* **Webmaster: [Boy Scout Troop 103](http://www.troop103losaltos.org/)**
  + I created a new website for my troop to organize documents, pictures, activity sign-ups, and much more
* **Volunteer Teacher:** [**Silicon Valley Code Camp**](https://www.siliconvalley-codecamp.com/presenter/2016/paran-sonthalia-9274)
  + I have been teaching at Silicon Valley code camp for the past four years. Some of the classes that I have taught are iOS app development using Objective-C, iOS app development using Swift, JavaScript, and more
* **Volunteer Teacher:** [**Silicon Valley CoderDojo**](https://coderdojo.com/)
  + I taught a few two-day classes on game development using JavaScript, and iOS game development using Objective-C
* **Volunteer Teacher:** [**Devoxx4Kids**](http://www.devoxx4kids.org/)
  + I lead various classes on iOS app development using Objective-C, iOS app development using Swift, and more.
* **Volunteer Tutor: AP computer science class in Mountain View High School**
  + Every Tuesday, I help AP computer science students (Freshman through Seniors) with their computer science labs