Reece Robertson

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EDUCATION

PhD, Computer Science May 2027

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Baltimore, Maryland

MS, Computer Science

May 2024

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Baltimore, Maryland

• Thesis: Performance of Simon's algorithm in the NISQ era

• Advisors: Dr. Samuel Lomonaco & Dr. Sebastian Deffner

• GPA: 3.92

BS, Applied and Computational Mathematics Emphasis (ACME)

April 2022

Brigham Young University

Provo, Utah

• Minor: Computer Science

• GPA: 3.93

· Honors Program

EXPERIENCE

KBR

Quantum Algorithm Developer

May 2021—Present

Chantilly, Virginia

• Developing software tool to objectively compare 20+ quantum architectures in terms of algorithm gate counts

• Deducing decompositions of high-level quantum operations into primitive gates

Researching principles of quantum algorithm design and quantum error correction weekly to improve conceptual understanding of project

• Tied for first place in 2021 & 2022 IBM Quantum Challenge and earned advanced distinction

Quantum Computing & Software Development Teaching Assistant

August 2022—Present

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Baltimore, Maryland

• Preparing and delivering 5+ guest lectures and leading class discussions and presentations

Writing course material and compiled information into LaTeX documents on weekly basis

• Grading assignments weekly and provided prompt feedback to students

Guest Lecturer August 2022-May 2023

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Baltimore, Maryland

• Delivered 3+ lectures to students on programming concepts and course assignments

• Facilitated group and individual project presentation days for 20+ groups of 4-5 students each

• Fielded questions regarding the lecture material and best practices

Algorithm Design Lab Teaching Assistant

August 2021-December 2021

BYU Department of Mathematics

Provo, Utah

- Mentored 90+ beginning programming students and teaching them essential programming concepts
- Assisted students quickly and effectively debug code for 5+ hours per week

Undergraduate Researcher in Quantum Field Theory

July 2020-May 2021

BYU Department of Mathematics

Provo, Utah

- · Learned new subjects of quantum mechanics, quantum field theory, and string theory
- Studied interaction of elementary particles using partial differential equations to solve square well problem
- Prepared material to present to professor and research team on weekly basis

Web Developer BYU McKay School of Education

January 2020-July 2020

Provo, Utah

· Wrote and debugged code in 6 languages to improve performance and accessibility of school website

• Led support team in assisting 300+ users in timely and polite manner

Full-Time Volunteer Representative

November 2017-November 2019

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Accra, Ghana

Supervised and motivated a team of 32 volunteers to help them work more effectively

• Examined team statistics to determine weekly training topics which resulted in improved performance and achievement of group goals

PUBLICATIONS

Implementing a High-Performance Quantum Computing Emulator.

May 2022

Reece Robertson and Dan Ventura. In Brigham Young University Undergraduate Honors Thesis Scholars Archive.

AWARDS

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)

Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society

2020-Present
2017-Present