# **Ritchie Xia**

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# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Languages: Java, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript (React), Python, OpenCV, SystemVerilog, Verilog, ARMv7, x86-64, PicoBlaze

Software Tools: Git, MATLAB, Intel Quartus, ModelSim, Node

# **PROJECTS**

#### **BookCards**

#### CPEN 291 Project (https://github.com/ritchiexia/ book-recommender)

Mar - May 2021

- Developed a web app in a group of 4 using Python, React and MongoDB that recommends books based on user preference
- Used an **embedding model** to pair new users with existing users of similar taste, followed by **reinforcement learning** to actively update the user vector and the user's recommended books

# Find Free Space

nwHacks Project (https://github.com/ritchiexia/FindFreeSpace)

Jan 2021

- Created a web app using **Python** and **OpenCV** for upper body detection from a camera input and returns a count to a **MongoDB** database to inform users of a room's occupancy level
- Won Best Domain Registered with Domain.com award

# **ENGINEERING STUDENT TEAMS**

#### **UBC** Rocket

Internals Subteam Member

Sep 2019 - Apr 2020

- Integrated core components of rocket into an efficient, functional design
- Used **SolidWorks** to design and perform force analyses on mid-assembly of rocket including main and drogue parachute bays, spoked plates, and threaded rods providing room for avionics board to be housed

# OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

# Trek Bicycle Corporation

Sales Associate, Burnaby, BC

Jul - Oct 2020

- Provided a personal shopping experience by qualifying customer needs and finding ideal products

# SFU Camps

General Instructor of Computers, Burnaby, BC

**Jun – Aug 2019** 

- Supervised, formed lesson plans, and taught basics of computer programs such as **Scratch**, **HTML**, the Adobe suite **(Photoshop, After Effects)**, and **SketchUp** to groups of about 25 campers aged 10-12

# **EDUCATION**

University of British Columbia, BASc Computer Engineering

**Expected Graduation: April 2024** 

Relevant Courses: Operating Systems (C), Principles of Software (Java), Digital Systems Design (SystemVerilog)