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#### AREAS OF INTEREST

Machine Learning, AI, Distributed Systems, Natural Language Processing, Security, Robotics, Mathematical Applications

#### **SKILLS**

**Languages:** Java, SQL, C, Assembly (MIPS), VHDL, familiar with C++, Python, T-SQL **Tools:** Mathematica, Maple, Unix, SVN, Android, Microsoft SQL Server, Arduino, Oracle Fluent in Russian

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## AMAZON

San Luis Obispo, CA

## **Position: Software Development Engineer**

February 2015 - April 2016

Designed and implemented APIs for a new system handing membership logic for Amazon Prime. Ran experiments to validate SLA, metrics, and performance of the new service before deployment. Worked with others to define design requirements, implement thorough test coverage, and integrate new service into existing Amazon code base.

Languages Used: Java

#### **LOCKHEED MARTIN**

San Luis Obispo, CA

## **Position: Software Engineer**

April 2014 – February 2015

Built a robust system for satellite communications for an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) addressing the problems of the UAV losing light of sight communications with the control station Languages used: C, C++

#### **GAINE SOLUTIONS**

San Luis Obispo, CA

### Position: Intern Programmer

January 2014 - March 2014

Redesigned a stored procedure for profiling and cleansing data and analyzing large scale data sets to make it more modular, increase flexibility and handle different parameters Languages used: T-SQL, SQL

#### **EDUCATION**

#### CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

San Luis Obispo, CA

B.S. Mathematics/Computer Science minor

June 2014

GPA: 3.02

Relevant Courses:

Systems Programming, Embedded Systems, Introduction to Databases, Operating Systems, Linear Algebra, Mathematical Modeling, Numerical Analysis

#### **PROJECTS**

#### **ARDUINO MUSIC PLAYER**

- A music player that runs on an Arduino and reads data off an SD card
- Thread support and context switching implemented in C and Assembly
- Ext2 file system reader implemented in C

#### **CHORD DETECTOR**

- Mobile application for Android that identifies musical chords in real time
- Uses digital signal processing techniques including FFT, window functions, and fundamental frequency detection implemented in Java

## **HOTEL RESERVATION SYSTEM (team project)**

- A system that enables guests to make reservations
- Development of customer, administrator and owner UIs

Database used was Oracle 10g, written in Java, SQL

#### **ACTIVITIES**

White Hat (Cyber Security) Club at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, officer (2012-2014)
Amateur Radio Club, officer/extra class licensed amateur radio operator (2012-present)
Entrepreneurial Society at San Jose State University, officer/president (2009 – 2010)
Second Place in the San Jose State University Problem Solving Competition (2009)
Side Projects/Hobbies: CTF and PicoCTF hacking competitions, antenna building (Yagi directional antenna, j-pole antenna), piano, rock climbing, chess, planning to participate in Sparkfun Autonomous Vehicle Competition 2016