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## Profile

- 10+ years of software development experience with proven success in all aspects of the full software lifecycle including initial requirements, design, coding, testing, and maintenance.
- Extensive work experience in development of C++ applications in Windows and Linux.
- In-depth knowledge and experience in multi-threading, parallel programming, and analysis of parallel programs.
- Experience in development of 3D graphics code and GPU programming (CUDA, OpenCL).
- Excellent interpersonal skills used to great effect in building rapport with clients and colleagues alike.
- Highly motivated, committed team player with an ability to work independently.
- Thrives in highly pressurized and challenging working environments.
- Looking for a suitably challenging position as an experienced software engineer, one which will make best use of existing skills, qualifications, and experience whilst enabling further personal and professional development.

## Research Experience

- Oct 2016 – **Visiting Researcher (Intern)**, *Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CA, USA.*
- Mar 2017
- Designed and developed a tool (*libtdg*) that creates task dependency graphs from OpenMP code.
  - Extended LLVM OpenMP runtime to generate callbacks for loop chunks.
  - Evaluated resource (e.g., memory, cache) contention overhead at a task and chunk level using *libtdg*.
- Feb 2013 – **Doctoral Researcher**, *RWTH Aachen University and Technical University of Darmstadt, Germany.*
- Present
- Explored directions for using empirical performance modeling in the analysis of parallel programs.
  - Designed a framework for validating performance expectations of libraries. It allows users to uncover unexpected scalability bottlenecks and evaluate alternative library implementations.
  - Devised a practical method for deriving isoefficiency functions of real-world task-based applications. It allows users to choose appropriate input sizes to maintain target efficiency as the core count increases.
  - Designed and developed a replay engine for task dependency graphs that can be used to analyze the resource (e.g., memory, cache) contention overhead.
  - Administered yearly seminars focused on various topics in parallel computing.
  - Prepared MPI and multi-threading exercises for graduate-level courses focused on parallel programming.
  - Guided and mentored bachelor and masters students.
  - Collaborated with fellow graduate students and researchers in Germany, Switzerland, and the US.

## Professional Experience

- Nov 2011 – **Software Developer II**, *Paradigm Geophysical Ltd., Israel.*
- Jan 2013
- Paradigm Geophysical Ltd. specializes in solutions for the discovery and extraction of subsurface natural resources. Worked on a C++ and OpenGL-based 3D visualization system called 3D-Canvas.
  - Improved the responsiveness of the system and user experience by introducing a multi-threaded, progressive fetching mechanism for multi-resolution visual data.
  - Implemented a capability to correlate two instances of 3D volumetric data.
  - Developed a functionality to display semi-transparent, floating text annotations within an OpenGL 3D scene. Used Win32 to port this functionality to Windows.

- Apr 2011 – **Software Developer (part-time)**, *SagivTech Ltd.*, Israel.
- Nov 2011
- SagivTech specializes in development of GPGPU algorithms for image and signal processing applications.
  - Optimized morphological operators for a de-noising algorithm using OpenCL.
  - Helped to prepare a three day OpenCL course by converting CUDA code to OpenCL.
- Nov 2009 – **3D Graphics Developer**, *Tiltan Systems Engineering Ltd.*, Israel.
- Oct 2011
- Maintained the company's main 3D engine that was developed in C++ on top of DirectX. It was used as a rendering library for aerial and ground simulators, and designed to support vast terrains and large number of objects.
  - Developed DirectX shaders in HLSL to render terrain-embedded geometric entities and 3D objects.
  - Implemented the shadow-map algorithm to display shadows cast by 3D objects.
  - Implemented a prototype for large-scale terrain rendering based on experimental work at Zuse Institute Berlin, Germany.
  - Optimized the rendering speed of vegetation and trees by 50%.
- Jan 2004 – **C++ Programmer**, *Israeli Air Force (IAF)*, Israel.
- Aug 2009
- Worked on a distributed, Windows-based command & control system for operational units. It provided a situational awareness capability allowing multiple units to coordinate their actions in a joint mission.
  - Ported the entire system's code-base from MS Visual Studio 6 to MS Visual Studio 2005, thereby enabling developers to use the .NET Framework.
  - Developed a C++ wrapper module for a .NET-based 2D map (GIS) engine.
  - Developed a multi-threaded communication (TCP / UDP) module on top of WinSockets.
  - Collaborated with other developers to implement and test application-level communication protocols.
  - Mentored junior developers and counseled them on complex technical issues.

## Education

- Feb 2013 – **Ph.D. in Computer Science**, *Technical University of Darmstadt (TU Darmstadt)*, Germany.
- Apr 2018  
(expected) Advisor: Prof. Dr. Felix Wolf
- Oct 2004 – **M.Sc. in Computer Science**, *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*, Israel, (GPA: 92/100).
- Dec 2009 Advisor: Prof. Amnon Barak
- Oct 2000 – **B.Sc. in Computer Science**, *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*, Israel, (GPA: 95/100,
- Aug 2003 Magna cum laude).
- Top 15% of graduating class; Dean's List in the 2nd year

## Technical Skills & Languages

- Programming C/C++, Python, C#, Java, HLSL, R, Bash, SQL
- Tools Git, SVN, GDB, Totalview, MS Visual Studio, Matlab
- APIs MPI, OpenMP, STL, OpenCL, CUDA, OpenGL, DirectX
- Languages English (fluent), Hebrew (native), Russian (native), German (basic proficiency)