Will Farhat

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Education

University of Southern California - Viterbi School of Engineering

Bachelors of Science in Computer Science Honors: Viterbi Research Fellowship

Harvard-Westlake High School

GPA: 4.43/3.89

June 2021

Expected Graduation: May 2025

Skills

- Python, JavaScript/TypeScript/HTML/CSS, Java, C#, C++
- Node.js, ReactJS, OpenCV, Express.js, TensorFlow, DevOps
- Git, Linux, Shell, AWS EC2/S3/Elastic Beanstalk, Firebase, Docker/Kubernetes, Unity, Unreal Engine, Microsoft Office

Experience

Undergrad Research Fellow

August 2021-Present

USC One World Terrain Project, Los Angeles, CA

- Currently researching new advancements in photogrammetry and segmentation techniques for large-scale terrain mapping
 with deep learning In Python; to date, have found and presented 12 different academic publications to the team
- Building synthetic training data in Unreal Engine, with the goal of expanding the pool of training data by 30%

Software Engineering Extern

February 2021-May 2021

USC QED Research Lab, Los Angeles, CA

- Developed Multi-Modal Visualizer, a Python and ReactJS visualization tool for medical time-series data, in 5 weeks
- Interviewed 6 lab researchers and ensured the tool fulfilled their primary needs: handle different types of sensor streams concurrently, automatically parse CSV files, and run on modern and legacy Windows, MacOS, and Linux machines
- Set up automated deployment in Kubernetes to remove the need for pre-installed dependencies and manual configuration

Freelance Full-Stack Developer

July 2020-January 2021

Tiny Headed Kingdom, Studio City, CA

- Designed and did DevOps for Tiny Headed Game, a multiplayer game for the company's Holiday 2020 marketing campaign
- Built with Node.js and PHP (backend), GameMaker Studio 2 (frontend), AWS (server hosting), and Firebase (database)
- Managed server CI/CD and IT support; final product played by over 800 users and generated brand attention

Involvement

Avionics Software Developer, USC Rocket Propulsion Laboratory

August 2021-Present

- Currently developing C++ unit testing frameworks for spaceshot vehicle control systems, with the goal of increasing test coverage by 70% to include embedded software for data acquisition
- Working with the team to conduct proof testing and software integration on the upcoming Domepiercer rocket hardware

Organizer and Instructor, HW Inc

November 2018-June 2021

- Co-organized and led IT at Harvard-Westlake's 45-person annual entrepreneurship camp for 3 years
- Taught workshops on competitive landscapes, branding, and MVP development
- During the Covid-19 Pandemic, programmed and deployed an online social hub in 3 weeks on AWS, allowing over 100
 participants and alumni to communicate through a multiplayer recreation of the school library
- Presented each year's progress to audiences of up to 300 people

Computer Science Mentor, Leaders United for Change

March 2020-June 2021

- Supervised online Python tutoring sessions through Zoom for over 50 middle school students
- Wrote and taught a 6-week summer program about Python, JavaScript, and Machine Learning to 60 students

Projects

- FreehandVR marker-less VR hand-tracking prototype using C# and Python
- ReMotion 3D positional tracking software for AR game design using Python and C#
- Markov Books procedural book extender using a Java implementation of Markov chains
- MMOMaker open-source MMO framework for GameMaker Studio 2
- Willfarhat.com personal full-stack website hosted on Linux and built with ReactJS, JavaScript/TypeScript, and Node.js
- Coffeehouse WebRTC and ReactJS powered conference calling for music sharing and virtual jam sessions
- Inc View Node.js video calling web app to connect multiple computers into a geographic camera network