# Yash Agarwal

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#### **Education**

**University of Bristol** 

St. James' School

**BSc in Computer Science** 

- Classification - 2:1 Honours.

Bristol, UK 2017-2021

2012-2016

Kolkata, India

A Level Equivalent - [ISC : Indian School Certificate]

Computer Science (94 %) Mathematics (92%)

(88%) Chemistry

English (88%)

# Work Experience

### **University of Bristol**

Bristol, UK 2020-2021 **Teaching Assistant in Department of Computer Science** 

- Achieved one of the top grades in computational neuroscience course as a student and returned as a teaching assistant for the course.
- Created content and improved lab sheets for students to work through.
- Led online video seminars to deliver course material and troubleshooting guidance to students.
- Mentored students to achieve their academic goals and encouraged industrial pursuit in the field.

## 66 DAYS (through University of Bristol) (link)

Bristol, UK 2018-2019

**Software Engineer** 

- Worked in a 4 person team for an individual business owner based in Bristol.
- Created the Android and iOS versions of a habit tracker app for a healthy lifestyle and weight loss management using Git with an Agile workflow.
- Designed the MySQL based database for the app and hosted it on the Oracle Cloud Infrastructure.
- Implemented the Nginx based server and played a role in building the Rest API interface using Spring Boot and developing the backend website framework.

**Shakti Carriers Ltd** Kolkata, India 2016-2017 Intern

- Learned how a logistics business operates from the floor level up-to the senior management.
- Maintained a portion of the company books using Accounting softwares like Tally & Excel.
- Supervised logistics operations and learned to deal with unforeseen circumstances.
- Assisted in marketing & advertisement and explored new strategies to grow the company.

## **Save the Children NGO**

Kolkata, India

2013-2016

## Lead Volunteer for Each One Teach One Project

- Played a role in setting up the project, which was a collaboration between the NGO and students of St. James' School.
- Created content, taught Maths & English to underprivileged children who cannot afford education.
- The project caught the attention of F1 world champion Lewis Hamilton, who paid a visit in 2013 and was impressed by our initiative and effort towards the project.

# **Programming Skills**

• **Proficient**: Python, C, C++, Java.

• Familiar : C#, SQL, HTML, CSS, Javascript.

• Concepts: SOLID principles, OOP, DevOps, Agile, Waterfall development process.

# Languages

• English : Native speaker. • Hindi : Native speaker

## **Software Skills**

- · Git.
- MySQL.
- · Nginx server.
- · Spring Boot.
- · AWS suite, Oracle Cloud.
- Message Passing Interface (MPI), OpenMP.
- · Autodesk Maya, Unity 3D.

## **Relevant Projects**

#### Virtual Reality Action Game (link)

6 person team

Built a two-player naval battleship game from scratch on Unity 3D.

- VR feature of the game was based on Oculus Rift technology.
- Project was built using Agile development process supported by extensive usage of Git and techniques like paired programming, workflows and sprints.
- Designed all the initial movement mechanics of the game by coding scripts in C#.
- Designed nearly all of the model assets of the game using Autodesk Maya, which gave an industry standard look to the game.

#### Image Recognition Software (link)

2 person team

Built a software using C++ that detects dartboards and human faces in images.

- Trained the classical Viola-Jones framework provided by OpenCV library to successfully detect human faces and dartboards.
- Improved the performance of dartboard detector by combining the Viola-Jones framework with personal implementations of various edge and shape detection methods.
- Implemented edge detection using Sobel operator, gradient extraction via filtering and shape detection using Hough transforms hough lines, hough circles.

#### Simulation of Neuron models (link)

Individual

Built computational simulations of numerous single layer neuron models using Python.

- Achieved one of the top grades in class with this project.
- Simulated a Binary Hopfield network which stores three patterns and evolves in accordance with the McCulloch Pitts formula.
- Simulated Spike trains using poisson process and computed fano factor and spike triggered averages.
- Simulated the Leaky Integrate & Fire neuron model and demonstrated Spike Timing Dependent Plasticity (STDP).

#### High Performance Computing (link)

Individual

Programmed software in C using the University of Bristol's 600 teraflop supercomputer - Blue Crystal phase 4.

- Applied serial optimisations like compiler choice, compiler flags, data layouts, data types, vectorisation, etc to improve performance of a 5-point stencil code run on a single CPU core.
- Programmed a multi-threaded application using Message Passing Interface (MPI) and Single Program Multiple Data (SPMD) which was run on one core up to all the 56 cores of 2 compute nodes.
- Message Passing Interface (MPI) protocol was used to achieve point-to-point communication among processes.
- Single Program Multiple Data (SPMD) approach was used to achieve distributed memory parallelism.

# **More Projects**

- Computer Graphics 2 person team (link)
- Concurrent Computing 2 person team (link)
- Automated Stock Trading Algorithm individual (link)
- CGI Robot Modelling individual (link)
- Interior Design Project supervised a team of approximately one hundred people (link)