YASH LALA

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OVERVIEW AND AVAILABILITY

I am a third-year computer science undergraduate student at UCLA. My interests include parallel computation, distributed system design and debugging, and climate analysis. I am seeking a full-time internship for Summer 2021.

EDUCATION

UCLA B.S. in Computer Science (ongoing) BASIS Independent Silicon Valley High School

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Computer Languages C, C++, Go, OCaml, Python, Rust, Scheme, Shell.

Software & Tools LaTeX, Git, GCP, etc. Strong focus on scripting and kernel mechanisms.

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

CS 118: Computer Networks
CS 134: Distributed Systems
CS 180: Algorithms
33A + 115AH: Linear Algebra
CS 132: Compiler Construction

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Pringle Lab, Stanford Genetics Department

June 2017 - August 2017

GPA: 3.7, 2018 - Present

GPA: 3.9, 2014 - 2018

Undergraduate Research Intern

· Focused on automating miscellaneous lab tasks using software. Developed a microscopic cell image recognition+counting program from scratch for use in algal haemocytometry.

Sensagrate Dev Labs

June 2019 - September 2019

· Trained in image-recognition, with a particular focus on using OpenCV for traffic pattern recognition.

RNA Lab September 2020 - Present

· Worked on developing low-latency methods of IP Packet payload classification.

INDEPENDENT PROJECTS

bNEAT September 2017 - May 2018

· Worked on developing an improved version of the Neuroevolution of Augmenting Topologies algorithm by using subnet recognition to implement software analogues to homeobox genes. Tested the modified algorithm's performance by teaching it to play Super Mario World[®]. Resulting algorithm runs through the initial learning phase faster than 'vanilla' NEAT.

Text-recognizing Refreshable Braille Display

December 2016 - May 2017

· Worked on developing an E-Reader for the blind. Used GNU Ocrad to recognize printed text and translate it into Braille dots on a novel deformable electroactive polymer based 'display'.