# **Vaastav Anand**

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#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages : C++, Golang, Python, C, Java, Julia, R, JavaScript, CUDA

Tools : GDB, IntelliJ, Eclipse, Visual Studio, Git, Perforce

Others : SQL, Qt, Unix, Gtest, Boost Test

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### **Undergraduate Research Assistant, UBC CS NSS Lab**

May 2018 - Aug 2018

- Developed Dara, a model checker for checking safety properties in distributed systems.
- Updated the API of GoVector, an open source vector clock logging library in Go.

## Software Engineering Intern, MODS Team, NVIDIA (C++)

May 2017 – Aug 2017

- Implemented memory repair sequences as scripts to repair bad parts of High Bandwidth Memory (HBM). This resulted in increasing GPU yield.
- Designed, developed and implemented a CUDA based linpack test to stress every bit of memory to weed out GPUs with bad memory in the early stages of production.
- Designed and deployed an internal website that reported every release version of the MODS application, the last change in the release and a link to download the release.
- Ported CUDA threading stress tests from CUDA teams to MODS.

### Software Engineering Intern, MODS Team, NVIDIA (C++)

May 2016 - Aug 2016

- Implemented a synchronization option for CUDA based linpack stress tests in MODS to synchronize CUDA kernel launches within 30µs across multiple GPUs in multi-GPU systems like DGX systems.
- Ported MODS code and windows builds to msvc140 from msvc90 to enable C++11.

### Software Developer, Sequoia, Thinkbox Software (C++)

Sep 2015 – Apr 2016

- Designed, developed and implemented the frontend and backend of the 3D PDF export option in Sequoia which allowed users to export their 3D models in PDF files by implementing a writer class for the U3D file format.
- Implemented import options for Lidar point cloud file formats of scanners from Riegl and Zoller + Fröhlich.
- Implemented binary string obfuscation making the licensing system more secure.
- Ported Unit tests from Boost Test Framework to Google Test Framework.

## Research Assistant, Interdisciplinary Speech Research Lab (Python)Nov 2017 – Apr 2018

• Created a game that does pitch detection to measure the accuracy of pitch of phrases and words in tonal languages.

### **Teaching Assistant, UBC CS Department**

Sep 2014 – current

- Previously a TA for Intermediate Algorithm Design, Computer Systems courses over 9 different school terms. Currently a TA for the undergrad Distributed Systems course.
- Lab Planner and Lead TA for CPSC 121 Models of Computation in Summer 2015.

#### **PROJECTS**

### Dara: Hybrid Model Checking of Distributed Systems (Golang)

May 2018 – current

- Model checker that combines the speed of a traditional model checker with the realism of an implementation level model checker to find heisenbugs in distributed systems
- 2 page abstract published at FSE'18 in the Student Research Competition Track.

### **GoVector: Vector Clock Logging Library (Golang)**

May 2018 - current

- A logging library which implements the vector clock algorithm.
- Re-structured the source code and re-designed the API for a v1.0 release and for future extensibility. Main maintainer of the library since May 2018.

### **HACKATHONS**

NwHacks (Python) Feb 2016

• Created a Python application that calculates how similar any 2 given songs are using their MIDI representation and lyrics.

## Microsoft KINECT Hackathon (C#)

Nov 2014

• Programmed an AI called JOKER with the ability to understand specific voice command and carry out the corresponding instructions using the Microsoft Kinect.

#### **EDUCATION**

### MSc, Computer Science, University of British Columbia

Sep 2018 – current

Working under the supervision of Dr. Ivan Beschastnikh

### BSc, Computer Science, University of British Columbia

Sep 2013 - May 2018

ACM ICPC PacNW Regional Contest 2017 Division 2 Champion

## Undergraduate Research Opportunities Conference, University of Waterloo Oct 2015

• Worked on a mini research project of protein identification in mass spectrometer data.

## **Vancouver Institute of Visual Analytics**

Jun 2015 - Apr 2016

- Visual Analytics 101: Tools, Techniques, and Theory
- VA102: Applications of Visual Analytics

## **Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)**

- Neural Networks and Deep Learning by deeplearning.ai on Coursera
- CS344 Intro to Parallel Programming by NVIDIA on Udacity

#### **AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

SIGSOFT CAPS Award	Aug 2018
UBC International Tuition Award	Aug 2018
Work Learn International Undergraduate Research Award	May 2018
Trek Excellence Scholarship	Jan 2017, 2018
CS Student Service Award	Sep 2015
UBC Faculty of Science International Student Scholarship	Jan 2015, 2018
Dean's Honor List	May 2014, 2015, 2017

### **VOLUNTEERING**

### **Undergrad Rep, Program Experience Committee, CS Dept.**

Sep 2014 - Dec 2016

Assisted faculty members in improving student experience in the CS Department.

#### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

Writing : Writing poems and short stories

Hobbies : Learning new languages, playing soccer and playing the piano Sports : Cricket & Soccer. Competed as part of U16 and U19 school team.

Languages : English, Hindi, Italian, French, Bengali, Punjabi, Urdu