

Gurmehar Singh

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EDUCATION

B.S., Double-Major in Honors Computer Science and Mathematics
Purdue University

Aug. 2022 – May 2025
West Lafayette, IN

EXPERIENCE

Telescope Operator
SETI Institute

February 2023 – May 2023, August 2023 – Present
Hat Creek, CA

- Built a scheduler based on trajectories of objects throughout the sky to automate observation of neutron stars
- Built a data pipeline to automatically process observational data. Implemented data visualization at intermediate steps for validation and troubleshooting, to help with testing and verification of software updates.
- Building a system to observe and process data from masers in order to synchronize observations with other observatories around the world

Software Engineering Intern
SpaceX

May 2023 – August 2023
Redmond, WA

- Enriched data to allow analysis of Starlink traffic breakdown by geographic location and content distribution network (CDN) while obfuscating user-specific personal information
- Improved algorithms to calculate metrics to enable cost-efficient planning for ground infrastructure fault tolerance
- Formulated and implemented a market demand and user growth forecasting model to inform high-cost hardware capacity planning
- Received highest possible scores across all categories in final performance review; was offered a full-time position, but chose to continue pursuing my degree

Software Lead

October 2022 – Present

Space & Earth Analogs Research Chapter of Purdue (SEARCH)

West Lafayette, IN

- Currently leading a group of student researchers to compete in the NASA SUITS competition to develop an AR interface for astronaut space suits
- Spearheading a project to analyze genomic data to aid the development of space agriculture
- Conducting workshops to teach programming techniques for developing efficient and scalable software
- Collaborated with members of the Mars Society and Mars Desert Research Station to develop a data management system to catalog, organize and index all data from crew missions

Software Engineering Intern

June 2022 – August 2022

SETI Institute, Allen Telescope Array

Hat Creek, CA

- Built a data processing pipeline to track man-made sources of radio interference around the Allen Telescope Array, and eliminate noise from signal in targeted frequency bands
- Ingested data from multiple telescopes to automatically generate matches for satellite passes over the Array
- Created metrics to measure observation safety to avoid radio interference and loss of data during observations

Volunteer Intern

June 2020 – June 2022

SETI Institute, Allen Telescope Array

Remote

- Created software automation for configuring component operating parameters and detecting anomalies using available dynamic range, expected signal intensity, nominal performance characteristics and other data sources
- Created a unified data format for storing observational data; Migrated software from Python to C for performance
- Co-credited with the Array's first discovery of a Fast Radio Burst

PROJECTS

Gens Grandis | *Node.js, Python, Three.js*

January 2021 - May 2021

- Developed a Civilization IV-inspired turn-based game that can be played entirely in-browser
- Built the entirety of the game's logic using only JavaScript and Three.js, a 3D graphics library
- Created an AI for the player to battle against, composed soundtrack, and designed game models in Blender

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Bash, Java, SQL (MySQL, Spark), Scala, PromQL

Frameworks & Libraries: Node.js, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, Tensorflow, OpenCV / PIL, Flask, Matplotlib, Prometheus

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, Google Cloud Platform, AWS, Jupyter, Metabase, Grafana