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**INTERESTS** (not exhaustive)

- End-user development
- Programming languages and formal methods
- Information security

**EXPERIENCE**

- 1/2022–present **Applied scientist at Amazon.** Working on Amazon Verified Permissions (<https://aws.amazon.com/verified-permissions/>), a system that eases development of high-assurance authorization models for third-party applications.
- 9/2020–12/2021 **Software engineer at Correct Computation.** Contributed to 3C, a tool that partially automates conversion of C programs to Checked C to verify spatial memory safety (<https://github.com/correctcomputation/checkedc-clang>).
- 9/2014–10/2018 **Graduate student in computer science in the Software Design Group, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.** Developed Espalier (<https://sdg.csail.mit.edu/projects/espalier>), a tool that truly integrates structured data into the spreadsheet paradigm to make it easier for non-experts to build a wide class of interactive applications (paper in Onward! 2016, demo in LIVE 2018).
- 6/2017–8/2017, 5/2018–6/2018 **Internships with Calc Intelligence team at Microsoft Research.** Developed “elastic sheet-defined functions” (<https://mattmccutchen.net/elastic-sdfs/>), a spreadsheet extension that helps non-experts reuse computations on input arrays of different sizes (paper in JFP, presented at ICFP 2020).
- 5/2016–8/2016 **Internship at Microsoft Research.** Built a lightweight verification framework for web-based single sign-on implementations (<https://github.com/cs0317/svAuth/>) with Shuo Chen and Shaz Qadeer (short paper in IEEE SecDev 2016).
- 6/2015–8/2015 **Internship with Microsoft Tools for Software Engineers team.** Implemented and tested a concurrent protocol to migrate a data set while applications are accessing it, as a case study of the P# systematic concurrency testing tool. (<https://github.com/mattmccutchen/MigratingTable>, paper in FAST 2016.)
- 9/2011–8/2014 **Software engineer at Google.**
- 5/2012–8/2014
- Web Search SRE (production) team. On call, and extended Python-based system deployment tools to automate more steps of the process.
  - Google Programmable Ads. Developed and maintained large integration tests in Python.
  - AdWords front end. Completed two internal code migrations (Java).
- 9/2011–1/2012
- 6/2011–8/2011 **Internship at MITRE Corporation.** Co-lead for a proof-of-concept integration of web-based data analysis tools written by different teams into a common dashboard, using JavaScript and Java servlets.
- 3/2011–5/2011 Implemented a wiki in the Servlet Information Flow framework (<http://www.cs.cornell.edu/jif/sif/>) as a case study.
- 9/2010–12/2010 Implemented a prototype TLS client and server that support arbitrary server authentication policies written in the Alpaca logic (see <http://pdos.csail.mit.edu/uia/>).
- 7/2010–8/2010 **Internship at Google.** Strengthened data validation in a Java-based web service framework.
- 6/2010–5/2011 Deployed and analyzed security of web applications for the Office of Information Technology, University of Maryland (part time).

- 11/2009–1/2010 Research on strategies for automatic insertion of type coercions in a program with Michael Hicks, University of Maryland.
- 6/2009–8/2009 **Internship at Bell Labs (Alcatel-Lucent) with Randeep Bhatia.** Implemented a prototype system to deliver video to cell phones in the background.
- 1/2006–9/2008 **Algorithms research with Samir Khuller, University of Maryland:**
- 6/2008–9/2008
- Developed software to match papers to reviewers, which was later used for POPL 2012. See <https://mattmccutchen.net/match/>.
- 8/2008
- Presented a paper (with Samir Khuller) on streaming algorithms for clustering very large sets of points at APPROX 2008. See <https://mattmccutchen.net/clustering/>.
- 4/2008
- Presented a paper on matching of people to positions with one-sided preferences at LATIN 2008. See <https://mattmccutchen.net/lumc/>.
- 6/2006–8/2006 Helped implement, tested, and evaluated a compiler and an inference tool for Javari, which consists of Java plus a reference immutability type qualifier. With Michael Ernst, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Research Science Institute).
- 8/2005–1/2006 Developed an Eclipse plugin that helps Cyclone programmers understand why certain pointers require additional runtime overhead to maintain memory safety. With Michael Hicks, University of Maryland.
- 6/2005–8/2005, 6/2006 **Developer, CharityWeb** (provider of Web services for nonprofits). Overhauled email list implementation to personalize messages to donors.
- 12/2004–12/2005 **Developer and system administrator, Montgomery Blair High School.** Maintained the school's shared shell server and made enhancements to the course management system.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2/2011 Gave a guest lecture about matching with one-sided preferences to a graduate-level algorithms course at the University of Maryland.
- 5/2006, 4/2007, 3/2008 Gave a lesson on the mathematical model of a single product market to AP Microeconomics classes at my high school; students said it greatly improved their understanding.

## EDUCATION

- 8/2007–5/2011 B.S. in computer science and mathematics, University of Maryland College Park. University Honors Program, Baneker/Key scholarship. GPA 3.974. Graduate-level coursework including approximation algorithms, software verification, theory of programming languages, software security.
- 9/2003–5/2007 Montgomery Blair High School Science, Math, Computer Science Magnet Program. GPA 3.99 (unweighted), 4.86 (weighted).

## OTHER PROJECTS

- 11/2016–present Co-maintainer of Braid (<https://cristibalan.github.io/braid/>), a tool to mirror one Git repository into a subdirectory of another (merging with downstream changes).
- 9/2010–1/2012 Contributed to IETF standardization of DNSSEC-based designation of TLS server certificates (<https://tools.ietf.org/wg/dane/>).
- 9/2005–3/2010 Contributed to rsync (<https://rsync.samba.org/>), a versatile open-source file-copying tool, and provided expert advice and clever solutions to users.
- 9/2007 Built a web application to organize tennis games for a group of University of Maryland faculty members.

3/2006 Wrote an article about the USA Computing Olympiad for Imagine magazine (<http://cty.jhu.edu/imagine/>).

## HONORS

4/2014 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship.  
4/2009, 2/2010 ACM Intercollegiate Programming Contest World Finals: 20th place, 14th place (University of Maryland team).  
11/2009 Computing Research Association Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award.  
11/2008, 11/2009, Virginia Tech Regional Math Contest: first place 2008 and 2010, second place 2009.  
11/2010  
4/2009, 4/2010 Aziz Scholarship from Math Department, University of Maryland.  
5/2009 Pete Stewart Undergraduate Research Award from Computer Science Department, University of Maryland.  
4/2009 J.R. Dorfman Prize for Undergraduate Research from College of Computer, Math, and Physical Sciences, University of Maryland.  
1/2008 Appeared in *Hard Problems* documentary about the Math Olympiad (<http://hardproblemsmovie.com/>).  
8/2005, 8/2006, International Olympiad in Informatics: gold medal 2007 and 2005, silver medal  
8/2007 2006.  
6/2006, 6/2007 National champion, 2006 and 2007 USA Computing Olympiads.  
1/2007 Finalist, 2007 Intel Science Talent Search.  
4/2007 IBM Thomas J. Watson Memorial Scholarship.  
3/2007 National Merit Scholar.  
5/2006 Caltech Signature Award.  
5/2005, 5/2006 USA Math Olympiad: winner 2006, honorable mention 2005.  
4/2006 Invited to the Research Science Institute 2006. Final presentation was judged one of the top five.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1/2016–9/2018 Hosted Dance Dance Revolution sessions open to everyone at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.  
2/2015–5/2015 Tutor, English as a Second Language for Service Employees, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.  
6/2012–5/2014 Leader of the Young Adult Group at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto.  
10/2012–3/2014 English as a Second Language tutor and teaching assistant for the Building Skills Partnership (<http://www.buildingskills.org/>) at Google.  
9/2013–3/2014 Tutored a local middle school student with Partners for New Generations (<http://www.pngmvla.org/>).  
9/2007–5/2011 Member, University of Maryland Linux Users Group. Gave presentations about git and rsync.  
1/2008–9/2010 Piano accompanist, University of Maryland Catholic Student Center.  
9/2005–2/2007 President, Montgomery Blair High School Computer Club. Gave weekly lectures, most on programming competition techniques and problems.  
2000–5/2007 Math teams and competitions including Mathcounts, American Regions Math League, Mandelbrot, and Calculus League.  
~1995–8/2007 Piano: recitals and private lessons.