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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I am a second year engineering science student at the University of Toronto, and currently a member of the CleverHans Lab under Nicolas Papernot at University of Toronto and the Vector Institute. My research interests include fairness and security for trustworthy ML.

MEMBERSHIPS

Vector Institute
CleveHans Lab
NCWIT

EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Toronto, ON
Bachelors of Applied Science
2020-2025
Machine Intelligence Major
GPA: 3.64/4

Gatton Academy of Math and Science

Bowling Green, KY
HS Diploma
2018-2020
GPA: 3.94/4

SKILLS

- **Software:** ARM Assembly, C, Python, Java, Matlab, Mathematica, Bash, Unix, LaTeX, git, machine learning, deep learning
- **Hardware:** Raspberry Pi, NVIDIA Jetson, soldering
- **Professional:** Creative problem solving, team work and management

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Intern

University of Toronto, Vector Institute

May 2020 - Present

Investigating fairness in machine learning, mentored by Prof. Nicolas Papernot in the CleverHans lab.

Electrical and Software Intern

Space Tango

June - August 2020

Assembled electrical components currently aboard the International Space Station for client R&D projects. Introduced artificially intelligent and autonomous solutions including UIs, fluid detection and direction tracking, and phase microscopy.

Research Student

Western Kentucky University

January 2018 - May 2020

Built intrusion detection system for drones using ML. Presented at regional conferences, such as ACM Mid-Southeast, and won best undergraduate poster. Also conducted a survey of metaheuristics for load balancing in WKU Cloud Lab's Bioinformatics Cloud. Presented at WKU Student Reach Conference in March 2019.

RECOGNITIONS

- **Grants:**
 - **ESROP** from Engineering Science at University of Toronto for fairness in ML research. (\$6,000 CAD)
 - **FUSE** from Western Kentucky University for drone security research. (\$3,000 USD)
 - **RIG** from Gatton Academy for drone security research. (\$3,700 USD)
- **National Honourable Mention** for aspirations in computing from the National Center for Women in IT.
- **Publication:** A. White, P. O'Boyle, S. Wyllie, and M. Galloway, "The Impact of DDoS Attacks on Application Containers, System Containers, and Virtual Machines," in 17th International Conference on Information Technology-New Generations (ITNG 2020).