

# THOUFEEQ AHAMED

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER | PRODUCT OWNER

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## EXPERIENCE

### Projects @Centre for Digital Media

SEP 2017 - PRESENT | Vancouver, Canada

- Responsibilities (Product Manager + Developer)
  - Planning and executing technical strategy, prototype development, setting and tracking release milestones,
  - Managing ideation and design sprints, delegating feature ownerships, facilitating team communication
  - User testing and research
- Projects
  - ShopIn | VR eCommerce platform that enables retailers to provide a stellar omnichannel retail experience.
  - WANDAR | AR app that allows users to create hyperlocal 3D drawings around the world.
  - SIGGRAPH VR Theatre | VR experience to showcase movies curated for the 2018 VR Theatre.

### Lead Developer @Oysterr Digital

OCT 2016 - AUG 2017 | Chennai, India

- Led a multidisciplinary team of five in creating interactive VR/AR experiences built using Unreal Engine. Shipped three Desktop VR products and two Mobile AR products within a span of ten months.
- Analysed client requirements and defined technical project specifications. Direct design, software development and implementation on projects.
- Notable projects\* | VR rock-climbing simulator using hand-tracking technology; Real-time, dynamic architectural visualisation; Puzzle-based escape game; Multiplayer AR arcade shooter prototype.

### Product Engineer @Paper.vc

AUG 2015 - SEP 2016 | Chennai, India

- Took product from an MVP to a production-grade, scalable system within a span of 5 months.
- Designed and developed an information extraction system consisting of web crawlers, ML-based text classifiers and named-entity recognition modules.
- Managed agile development sprints, delegated ownership of features, setup a continuous delivery pipeline, and tracked milestones.
- Led the validation phase for a highly scalable microservices-based server-side stack.

## EDUCATION

SEP 2017 - SEP 2018

**Masters in Digital Media | Product Management** @Centre for Digital Media (UBC, SFU, BCIT & ECUAD)

AUG 2011 - MAY 2015

**Bachelor of Engineering | Electronics & Communication Engineering** @Madras Institute of Technology, Anna University

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Best Paper - 3rd Annual ICSCN

2015

Best Research Paper awarded at the 3rd International Conference on Signal Processing, Networking & Communication for 'Facial Feature Recognition and Extraction using DPM and DSIFT'

### Winner - Open Source Project Hunt, Chennai

2015

Built a home automation system using Arduino boards. Controlled via IR remotes and over Wi-Fi.

### VP/Co-founder - The Box Office

2013

Official drama club of MIT. Directed plays and musicals. Hosted debates, acting workshops, and literary competitions.

## SKILLS

- Technical Architecture and Project Planning
- Rapid Prototyping and Continuous Development
- Agile Development with multidisciplinary teams
- Gameplay Design
- Web services, Microservices, REST APIs

## TOOLS

Unreal engine 4, Unity 3D, Blender, Substance Designer, Docker, Git

### Programming Languages

C#, Python, C++

\*Projects under strict NDA, references available