CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

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1. EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Nyeri

Expected: December 2027

• GPA: 3.5+

- Thesis/Project: "Quantum-Resistant Encryption Simulator: Bridging Classical and Quantum Cryptography"
- Relevant Coursework: Quantum Computing Fundamentals, Advanced Algorithms, Cloud Architecture, Cryptography, Machine Learning, A.I, Operating Systems

High School Diploma

St. Georges Girls Secondary School, Nairobi

Graduated: December 2023

• Honors: School Math Lead, National Math Olympiad Qualifier, Head of Science Club

2. RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Researcher

Department of Computer Science, Dedan Kimathi University of Technology September 2024 – Present

- Worked under Dr. Kamau on evaluating Grover's and Shor's algorithms on IBM Quantum and simulated NISQ (Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum) devices.
- Designed and executed experiments using Qiskit to measure error rates and performance variations across quantum hardware backends.
- Co-authored "Evaluating Grover's Algorithm Performance on NISQ Devices," submitted to IEEE Quantum Workshop (April 2025).
- Presented findings at the DeKUT Research Symposium (April 2025) and IEEE Quantum Technical Community meetups.

Research Intern

Quantum Computing Lab, Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Nyeri

June 2025 – Present

- Developed Python-based tools to benchmark quantum circuit depth and gate fidelity for superconducting qubits.
- Collaborated with a team of 5 researchers to optimize error mitigation techniques, which improved circuit accuracy by 15%.
- Documented experiments, maintained lab notebooks, and contributed to weekly technical reports.

3. PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Publications

- 1. Maureen Wanjohi, "Evaluating Grover's Algorithm Performance on NISQ Devices," IEEE Quantum Workshop (Under Review), 2024.
- 2. Maureen Wanjohi & Dr. Kamau, "Quantum-Resistant Encryption Simulator: A Comparative Study," DeKUT Research Journal, Vol. 2, No. 1, August 2024.

Presentations

- "Bridging Classical and Quantum Cryptography," DeKUT Research Symposium, April 2025 (Oral Presentation).
- "Introduction to Quantum Circuits and Grover's Algorithm," IEEE Quantum Technical Community Meetup, April 2025 (Workshop Session).
- "Workshop on Qiskit Basics," Quantum Sky Club, DeKUT, May 2025(Hands-On Demo).

4. TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

Data Structures & Algorithms, Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

June 2025 – Present

- Conducted weekly lab sessions for 40+ students, creating problem sets on algorithm implementation and analysis.
- Held office hours, provided one-on-one mentorship, and assisted with grading assignments and exams.

Mentor

Quantum Sky Club, International June 2025 – Present

- Guided 15 junior memberships through Python, quantum fundamentals, and Qiskit tutorials.
- Developed curriculum and interactive lessons for workshops, improving member retention by 35%.

5. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Student Developer

BSc Computer Science, Dedan Kimathi University of Technology July 2024 – Present

- Designed and built web applications (React, Node.js) for campus events and departmental tools, reducing manual processing time by 40%.
- Implemented a cloud-based file sharing system on AWS S3 with access control policies for student research data.

Chair, IEEE Quantum Technical Community

IEEE Student Branch, DeKUT June 2025 – Present

- Spearheaded launch of Quantum Technical Community, organizing 10+ events and attracting 300+ participants.
- Coordinated guest speakers from IBM Quantum and Google Quantum AI to present the latest developments in quantum technology.

6. CERTIFICATIONS & QUALIFICATIONS

- **Qiskit Developer Certification** (IBM Quantum), May 2024
- AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner (Amazon), December 2024
- Google Machine Learning Crash Course Certificate (Google), August 2024
- Quantum Education Certificate ([Issuing Organization]), March 2025

7. TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming & Scripting:** Python, C++, JavaScript, Java, Q#
- Web Development: React, Node.js, Express, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Bootstrap

- Cloud & DevOps: AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda), Docker, Git, Terraform, CI/CD Pipelines
- Quantum Computing: Qiskit, Cirq, IBM Quantum Lab, Quantum Simulators, Quantum Algorithms
- Machine Learning & Data: TensorFlow, NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, Matplotlib
- Tools & Software: GitHub, VS Code, Jupyter Notebooks, Jira, Slack

8. LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

- Founder & SkyLead, Quantum Sky Club (DeKUT)
 - Established a student-led quantum community; organized 25+ workshops; mentored 120+ members.
- Chair, IEEE Quantum Technical Community (DeKUT Branch)
 - Launched the community; coordinated guest lectures and open-source challenges; mentored 15 students.
- Volunteer, Nairobi Quantum Meetup
 - Assisted in event planning and technical demonstrations (June 2024 Present)
- Member, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), DeKUT Chapter

9. AWARDS & HONORS

- 2nd Place, DeKUT Quantum Hackathon (Team Lead) November 2023
- Best Research Presentation, DeKUT Research Symposium April 2024
- Dean's List, Computer Science Department (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
- School Math Lead, St Georges Girls Secondary–June 2021

10. OUTREACH & SERVICE

- Mentor, Qiskit Global Summer School Team April 2024 August 2024
- Organizer, Quantum Sky Community Hack Series May 2025 June 2024
- Reviewer, ACM Special Interest Group on Quantum Computing June 2025– Present