Benjamin Mathews

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Java developer-in-training with previous experience in the customer service, hardware repair, and warehouse industry. Over the course of 7 years in the workforce, has developed great communication, teamwork, and problem-solving skills, with expertise in Office Suite 2016 applications, Windows Environment, and Visual Code.

RELEVANT SKILLS

Languages: Java, SQL
Back End: Spring Boot, PostgreSQL, JUnit
Development Tools: IntelliJ, pgAdmin, Git, Maven
Methodologies: CI/CD, Microservices

SOFTWARE PROJECTS

[*Vendo-Matic 800*](#) | Virtual Vending Machine Application | **Java, OOP, File I/O**
Virtual vending machine application with command-line interface allowing users to deposit money, choose a product, and return the correct change. Inventory is loaded via a text file and transactions are also logged to a text file.
- Set up the repo and Slack channel, assigned roles to streamline team collaboration.
- Developed and implemented menu classes for the program, and created essential empty class files to support future development needs and ensure a structured coding framework
- Conducted thorough code reviews and annotated files with detailed comments, enhancing code clarity

[*TEnmo*](#) | Money Transfer Application | **Java, Spring Boot, PostgreSQL, RESTful API, Spring Data JPA, Spring Security**
Peer-to-peer money transfer application allowing users to send, request, and approve money transfers. Front-end is a command-line application communicating with a RESTful API server in the back-end.
- Implemented tables from database into the server by creating models and by using java database connectivity api, created daos to map tables to their respective models
- Created services on the server to interact with dao and rest controllers to access the services by http response
- Implemented services on the client to respond to http responses from server by using the rest api

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fresh Cut Associate • *Safeway, Bellingham, Washington*   **07/2024 - CURRENT**
- Enhanced customer experience by effectively communicating product information and offering samples, resulting in informed purchasing decisions and increased sales
- Designed and executed visually appealing displays, by applying merchandising techniques and regularly rotating stock to maintain product freshness and enhance the overall customer shopping experience
- Resolved quality issues by implementing the company's crisping process, including trimming, washing, banding, and strategically cooling products, to enhance product quality and ensure readiness for the sales floor

Facility Associate • *Amazon, Arlington, Washington*   **05/2024 - 7/2024**
- Utilize robotics technology to systematically pick items, analyzing order specifications for precision and efficiency, consistently achieving an average rate of 350 items per hour, significantly improving operational productivity and accuracy
- Analyze item weight and size to optimize bin placement, effectively reducing bin usage and conveyor space decreasing the need for repairs and enhancing overall operational efficiency

Non-Inventory Receiver • *Amazon, Arlington, Washington*   **11/2023 - 03/2024**
Picker   **09/2023 - 11/2023**
- Accurately picked and packed orders, by meticulously verifying item details against order specifications and utilizing systematic packing procedures, ensuring error-free processing, and maintaining high standards of quality control
- Proficiently operated pallet jacks to unload and relocate pallets, ensuring efficient supply management and timely distribution within the warehouse

EDUCATION, CERTIFICATES, & CERTIFICATIONS

Java Development Program • *Merit America, Virtual*   **03/2024**
- A 22-week intensive program focused on Backend Java Development, including hands-on coursework in Java Development and Client-Server Programming (SQL, Spring, JPA, REST) as well as covering topics such as Data Structures, Algorithms, Design Patterns, Cloud / Microservice deployments, and DevOps (e.g. CI/CD)