Footer timer:

The timer in the footer of my website acts as a dynamic and ever-updating feature that indicates the age of my website down to the second. It automatically calculates the time elapsed since the site's creation date, which is April 11, 2024. Displayed in years, months, days, hours, minutes, and seconds, this timer offers visitors a quick glimpse of the website's history and longevity. This feature serves a dual purpose: it not only highlights the website's growth and my journey as a developer but also injects a sense of liveliness into the website. It shows that the content is current and actively managed, which can encourage users to return, anticipating new updates and growth alongside the website's timeline.

Page transitions

On my website, you'll find a neat little touch with the page transitions. When you click to navigate, the page doesn't just switch abruptly. Instead, there's a cool fade-out effect that eases the switch, and then the new page fades in just as smoothly. It's a subtle trick that makes browsing feel more seamless, and I think it adds a professional polish to the whole experience. It's all about not jarring the visitor with sudden changes, giving a moment of transition that's easy on the eyes. Check it out – it's these small details that can really make surfing the site more enjoyable!

Home Page - Dynamic Header:

On my home page, the header title "Zilong(Chris) Guo's Personal Website" serves as more than a mere introduction. With an interactive touch, hovering over it reveals its translation, inviting users into a bilingual experience. This feature not only adds a layer of engagement but also reflects my personal connection to the content and the multicultural aspect of my identity. It is a subtle nod to my background and welcomes users who might share that connection.

Projects Page - Interactive Grid:

The Projects page presents a well-organized grid layout showcasing my work. Each project is encapsulated within its own bordered box, complete with titles and links to external repositories or details. This compartmentalized approach allows users to easily navigate through my portfolio, highlighting my technical skills and providing quick access to my achievements. The concise presentation and clear organization emphasize my work's significance and make it straightforward for potential collaborators or employers to explore my contributions.

Interests Page - Visual and Textual Overlay:

My Interests page is a visually engaging gallery where images represent my hobbies and passions. When users hover over each image, a semi-transparent overlay appears with a text label, such as "Tennis" or "BJJ". This overlay feature not only adds visual depth to the page but also serves as an interactive element that provides more context to the images. It showcases the multifaceted nature of my personality and invites users to connect with me on a personal level.

Contact Page - Direct Communication Links:

On the Contacts page, users are greeted with direct communication links such as email, phone, and LinkedIn. The hover effect on the contact information enlarges the text, making it more noticeable and emphasizing its importance. This design choice simplifies the process of reaching out to me, underlining my openness to networking, and my readiness to engage with visitors professionally.