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EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Cruz

Bachelor's of Science (B.S.) in Computer Science., GPA 3.6

- **Dean's Honor:** Spring 2022, Summer 2024

Santa Cruz, CA

Sep. 2021 - Dec. 2024

EXPERIENCE

Code Coach

Feb. 2025 – Present

theCodersSchool (Part-Time)

Palo Alto, CA

- Teach **programming fundamentals** to students ages 8-17, using languages such as **Python, JavaScript, HTML/CSS**, and **Scratch**
- Adapt teaching approach based on each student's learning style, interests, and skill level
- Help students work through programming projects, focusing on **problem-solving** and computational thinking
- Communicate regularly with parents about their child's progress and areas for improvement

Software Developer

April 2024 – June 2024

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- Developed **React Native mobile app** incorporating Google's **Firebase** for storing data, Google's Machine Learning package (MLKit), Text Recognition v2 for OCR(Optical Character Recognition) on receipts, pre-processing and post-processing of data, and a live drag and drop in-app document scanner
- Collaborated in the **agile development** process, contributing ideas to release plans, making user stories and tasks for sprint plans, leading discussions in stand-up meetings and sprint reviews
- Demonstrated strong **communication skills** and cohesion within a small team of 5 to achieve collective goals
- Documented changes in code, spikes, infrastructure, and three-tier architecture
- Researched numerous OCR programs in order to optimize runtime performance by over **600** percent

Product Owner

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- Defined product visions for four two-week **sprints** of goals and ideas of the *Receipt Mobile App*
- Maintained product backlog using *Jira* based on feedback, needs, and changes
- Guided **development team of five** using the Agile software development techniques to prioritize tasks, refine requirements, and continuously adapting to feedback.
- Facilitated daily stand-up meetings to foster collaboration and track progress
- Presented product to an audience of over **200** individuals

PROJECTS

Receipt Mobile App | *React Native, Firebase, TS/JS, MLKit SDK, Git*

April 2024 - June 2024

- Developed a **full-stack mobile application** capable of scanning and splitting the cost of receipts for users
- Developed clean **UI/UX with React Native** on the **front-end**
- Integrated a React Native live document scanner to extract receipts
- Contributed to a verification screen, post-processing of MLKit's computer vision outputs on Costco, Safeway, and generic brand receipts, handled the splitting of items to users,
- Used platforms like **Firebase** and Development environments like **Android Studio** and Visual Studio Code in conjunction with **GitHub** version control

Full-Stack Slack Web App | *React Native, Postgres, Nodejs, OpenApi, Express, JS, Mui*

Jan 2023 - March 2023

- Created a Slack inspired Mobile **Web App** within a 5-week span incorporating **test-driven development**
- Stored user data using **PostgreSQL**, exposed an authenticated OpenAPI restricted **RESTful** interface, wrote UI in React and Google's MUI
- Maintained 100 percent **code coverage** throughout the whole app, with **quality assurance** in mind

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages/Fundamentals: Python, JavaScript, C/C++, Typescript, , Java, HTML/CSS, Yaml, **Data Structures**

Frameworks: React, React Native, Jest, Puppeteer, MLkit SDK, **NodeJs**, **Express**, **MUI**, **Firebase**, tesseract OCR, easy OCR, Scikit-learn, tesseract API

Developer Tools: **GitHub**, Visual Studio Code, Docker, Android Studio, PyCharm, Google Collab, Linux CLI

Libraries/Tools: **PostgreSQL**, **YAML**, **OpenApi**, **Opencv**, **regex**, **NumPy**, **PIL**, **pandas**, **Matplotlib**