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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine

Irvine, CA

B.S. in Computer Science

June 2025

• Relevant Coursework: Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Introduction to Data Management, Project in Databases and Web Applications, Programming in C/C++ as a Second Language, Introductory Computer Organization

SKILLS

Languages: Java, Python, TypeScript, JavaScript, SQL, C, C++, Swift, Lua

Tools: React, React Native, Flask, AWS, Node.js, JUnit, jQuery, Bootstrap, TailwindCSS, Material-UI, Git

Experience

Software Engineer Intern

Jun 2024 – Present

Blue Social

Riverside, California

- Integrated an existing iOS app into React Native, utilizing bridge modules for cross-platform compatibility and Thirdweb's React hooks to enable Web3 functionalities, optimizing user experience across different devices.
- Implemented Thirdweb SDK for secure wallet connections, enabling over 10,000 real-time blockchain transactions, which improved transaction security by 30% and increased user interaction with Socialize-to-Earn smart contracts by 25%.
- Developed features to read and display wallet data on the blockchain, enhancing transparency for 1,000+ beta users, and streamlined Thirdweb Smart Wallet setups via email, reducing login times by 40%.

Mar 2024 – Present Game Developer Remote

Buzzy.qq

- Improved player connectivity and accessibility by creating a global server search system with TeleportService, enabling players to join any user-created game instance, which expanded the game's reach and usability.
- Enhanced data management and accuracy by integrating HTTP JSON protocols, which improved the reliability of player data on reserve servers by 20%, streamlining game operations and analytics.
- Boosted community interaction and feedback by establishing a database system to track likes, allowing players to rate user-created games, which enhanced user engagement and provided valuable feedback to developers.

Founder/Developer

Jun 2020 - Present

AIMSTARS - Link

Remote

- Developed a first-person shooter game, amassing over 8.9 million plays worldwide, maintaining 15 thousand monthly active users and generating over \$30,000 in revenue.
- Enhanced game realism and challenge by implementing bots with human-like movement patterns using the Pathfinding service, significantly improving player experience and game dynamics.
- Boosted player engagement by 40% by adding a multiplayer game mode that allows players to practice against each other, increasing interaction and time spent in-game, leading to higher user retention rates.

Projects

NagaGuard | Link | GitHub | React, Flask, MySQL, Python, JavaScript, Bootstrap, Gemini AI

Apr 2024

- Engineered a full-stack application at a 24-hour hackathon at UCR, winning the "Best Startup" award by utilizing Gemini AI to transcribe medical records into clinical codes, reducing medical coding time by 99%.
- Set up a MySQL database to manage hundreds of medical records, patient data, and user authentication.
- Utilized Flask to manage SQL queries and serve as a REST API for transmitting data to the frontend, while managing state logic for all React components to handle API calls with Axios, ensuring smooth data flow and responsive user interactions.

SpaceTro | Link | GitHub | React, Flask, PostgresSQL, Supabase, TailwindCSS, Gemini AI

May 2024

- Developed an educational full-stack web app to inspire people to explore astronomy.
- Fine-tuned SQL queries to minimize latency, achieving a response time of under 200ms for data retrieval.
- Implemented a real-time leaderboard using Supabase to rank users based on their quiz scores, fostering a competitive and engaging learning environment.

Good Eats | Link | GitHub | React, Flask, MySQL, Python, JavaScript, MaterialUI, Gemini AI

Apr 2024

- Built a full-stack web app in 36 hours at LA Hacks that creates personalized meal plans based on user inputs.
- Implemented Gemini AI to dynamically generate 3 meals through a custom prompt derived from user inputs.
- Used Flask to handle different HTTP requests, error handling, and SQL queries.