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EDUCATION

Cornell University

M.Eng. in Electrical and Computer Engineering; GPA: **3.85/4.00**

Relevant coursework: Distributed Computing Principles, Fundamentals of Machine Learning, Embedded Operating System, Computer Networks, UNIX Tools and Scripting

Ithaca, NY, USA

Aug. 2022 – Dec. 2023 (Expected)

University of Liverpool

B.Eng. in Electrical and Electronics (Honor Degree); GPA: **3.83/4.00**

Relevant coursework: C/C++ Programming, Software Engineering, Image Processing, Neural Networks

Liverpool, UK

Sep. 2017 – July 2021

SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, TypeScript/JavaScript, Java, HTML/CSS, PHP, Lua, Linux Bash, SQL, Assembly

Technologies: Kubernetes, Docker, Nginx, Node.js, React, Sass, MongoDB, MySQL, Git, CI/CD, RESTful, AWS

WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Intern

Guzman Energy

New York, NY, USA

July 2023 – Aug. 2023

- Developed a responsive web application for a trading index portal using **ReactJS**, **TypeScript**, and **Material-UI**.
- Implemented Microsoft Azure 2FA login for the trading portal by utilizing **OAuth2**, OpenID Connect, and **JWT**.
- Leveraged **Docker** to containerize the applications and deployed them to **AWS EC2**.
- Developed an **iOS** and **Android** AI scribing mobile APP from scratch using **React Native**, based on the UI/UX team's design on Figma.
- Collaborated with the backend team through the **RESTful API** to handle the application's data and user management.

PROJECTS

Deployment and Orchestration of a Kubernetes Infrastructure

Individual Project

Ithaca, NY, USA

Jan. 2023 – Present

- Engineered a scalable Kubernetes infrastructure with **Kubeadm** and **Helm**, efficiently managing high-traffic web services.
- Orchestrated **Docker** containers using **Kubernetes** for effective load balancing and auto-scaling.
- Deployed **Nginx Ingress** to manage external service access, enhancing security and load distribution.
- Utilized **Prometheus** and **Grafana** to monitor system performance and health, optimizing resource utilization and stability.
- Established a centralized logging infrastructure using **Elasticsearch**, **Logstash**, **Kibana (ELK Stack)**, and **Kafka**, thereby facilitating real-time log processing, comprehensive system monitoring, and efficient troubleshooting.
- Integrated **DroneCI** and **Github** for **CI/CD**, enabling streamlined updates and efficient bug fixes.

Full-Stack Development and Management of High-Traffic Web Services

Individual Project

Ithaca, NY, USA

April 2018 – Present

- Conceptualized, designed, and deployed various self-developed, purpose-specific websites and web services.
- Utilized cutting-edge technologies like **Gatsby**, **ReactJS**, **Sass**, **Bootstrap**, **WebSocket**, and **JQuery** for building interactive and responsive front-ends for websites, using **GA4** for data-driven performance tracking and user interaction analysis.
- Efficiently handled back-end services using a mix of **Node.js**, **Express**, **Python Flask**, and **PHP**, showing flexibility and adaptability across different programming environments and requirements.
- Created a highly popular public Random Image API using **PHP**, **MySQL**, and **Redis**, which has **over 100,000 visits** per day, demonstrating the ability to develop and manage high-performance web services.

Distributed, Linearizable, Sharded Key-Value Database

Course Project advised by Prof. Lorenzo Alvisi

Ithaca, NY, USA

March 2023 – May 2023

- Designed and built a robust, sharded key-value store in **Java**, optimized for performance in distributed settings.
- Implemented and modified the **Multi-Paxos** protocol, a crucial algorithm to guarantee the database system's resilience and continued operation, given a majority of servers remain functional.
- Enhanced the system's functionality by streamlining the Multi-Paxos protocol into a simpler, more efficient **Raft**-like protocol, resulting in improved system performance and reduced complexity.
- Employed a strategic approach to optimize the key-value store by incorporating sharding across server groups. Each group was designed to execute the Paxos consensus algorithm, thus ensuring system-wide consistency and reliability.

AWARDS

- **Machine Learning:** Secured **2nd rank** out of 55 in an in-class Kaggle competition at Cornell by architecting a highly accurate CNN model using **Keras**, with data preprocessing and ensembling techniques applied to a noisy MNIST dataset.