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FULL-STACK DEVELOPER



Full-stack developer with +5 years of experience in UI/UX development, Backend development, and System administration in high-traffic apps.

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EXPERIENCE

Senior Full-Stack Developer at Widitrade

August 2020 - Present

Freelance Developer

February 2020 - August 2020

- Focused on personal projects, currently unreleased.
- Developed new CuriousCat webapp and native apps (+4.5 stars) iOS App, Android App

Developer at vonvon inc.

August 2018 - January 2020

- Developed new features for CuriousCat, and kept an availability of +99.9%
- Developed multiple systems using nodejs microservices to improve CuriousCat's safety, like blocking questions from bad agents, moderation for images/reports, and more.
- Helped increase ad revenue by working with different partners and running experiments.
- Developed multiple other social websites/apps, like Beacon.

Technical Cofounder at CuriousCat

April 2016 - August 2018

- I cofounded CuriousCat in 2016, and we were acquired by Vonvon Inc. two years after.
- Maintained, as a single developer, a stable backend that handled +40k concurrent users, and many millions of posts per month.
- Developed MVP with PHP + JQuery, and migrated to a Single Page Application using Vue.js as the webapp got more complex.
- Ran experiments to drive user retention and acquisition.

Freelance Developer at Webmonster

2014 - 2017

- Developed company websites and webapps for multiple multinationals and local companies like Danone/Dannon, and Interporc.
- I developed sites from scratch, and improved existing websites using PHP, Wordpress, ¡Query, and Vue.js
- Customer support, answering tickets and fixing issues with the client's websites + emails.

EDUCATION

I started programming at age 11, and **taught myself** how to code. I pursued a CS degree for a couple of years, but ultimately decided to drop out to focus on my projects.

I mainly deliver using common technologies (Vue, React, PHP, Node.js...) But I also love trying new things (Like Rust)

SKILLS

- Frontend: Vue, React, React Native, Redux, Webpack, SASS
- Backend: AWS, Linux, PHP, Node.js, TypeScript, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis, Memcached
- Languages: Native Spanish, Professional English
- Personal skills: Remote work, Independent, Empathy, Work Ethic

PORTFOLIO

CuriousCat

- CuriousCat is a Q&A social network used by more than one and a half million people every day, where you can ask and receive questions, sometimes anonymously.
- I cofounded CuriousCat in 2016, and we were acquired by Vonvon Inc two years after.
- Scaling was one of the main challenges, as we sometimes reached **+40k concurrent users**. It currently serves +2B requests per month.

Beacon

- Beacon is a Q&A visual social network, created in React Native for Android, iOS, and Web.
- It has a 4.2 average rating, and tens of thousands of stories are seen every day.

Brawlmance

- Brawlmance provides statistics for the videogame Brawlhalla. It's usually the reference when talking about balance in the game
- It has mantained a small but steady user base for many years, mainly from recurring users and SEO
- It crawls millions of players every day, and keeps track of the global trends
- react-native-web-refresh-control: An implementation of React Native's RefreshControl for web, since react-native-web
 does not provide one at the moment
- Conway Engine: A performant JS engine for Conway's Game of Life
- Node Image Hash: Perceptual image hash for node.js
- JS Launchpad: Library that uses the Web MIDI API to interact with the Launchpad Mk1