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EDUCATION

New York University Sept. 2023 – May 2025

M.S. in Computer Science, merit-based scholarship of \$6,000/year.

New York University Sept. 2019 – May 2023

B.S. in Data Science, minor in Computer Science, GPA: 3.91/4.0

- Honors & awards: *Magna cum Laude*, *NYU Honors Scholar*
- Computer vision researcher focusing on semantic segmentation in few-shot learning scenarios

Relevant courses: *Applied Internet Technologies* (React), *Data Structures*, *Databases*, *Computer Architecture*, *Algorithms*, *Software Engineering* (agile dev using Scrum), *Intro to Java* (multi-thread, Spring Boot, Maven)

SKILLS

- Programming: Proficient in **JavaScript**, **Python**, **Java**, and **SQL**, familiar with **Bash**.
- Development: Familiar with **ReactJS**, **NodeJS**, **Django**, **Django Rest Framework**, **Spring Boot**, **Agile** (scrum), **CI/CD** (Travis CI + AWS), **Git**, **VS Code**, **IntelliJ**, knowledge on **Docker** and **AWS**.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kaizntree Co., Co-founder, Full-stack Engineer Sept. 2021 – Present

Co-founded a powerful one-stop management platform for small businesses

- **Kaizntree Small Business Management Platform**
 - Built a comprehensive management platform powered by VueJS, Django, and PostgreSQL for 50+ small businesses, seamlessly integrating with major sales channels like Shopify, Square, Etsy, Xerox
 - Combined Django Rest Framework with agile development (scrum) and CI/CD, allowing Kaizntree to resolve customer feedbacks under 48 hours and build a wholesale workflow from scratch under 7 days
- **NYU Summer Launchpad**
 - Stood out in the 2023 NYU Summer Launchpad program and won the 2023 NYUxYale Startup Competition, where Kaizntree was awarded 1-on-1 mentorship from established entrepreneur coaches
 - Secured a \$10,000 non-dilutive funding and \$15,000 in AWS credits, which have been used to expand Kaizntree's server capacity to provide customers a smoother experience
 - Picked by two investors and received a total of \$30,000 investment

eBay Inc., Software Engineering Intern Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2023

Drove innovative project initiatives, modernized UIs, automated tasks for infrastructure engineering

- **Average-Time-to-Business (ATB) Dashboard**
 - Conceptualized and proposed a web-based ATB dashboard for live monitoring of clusters and ongoing change requests (CRs), enabling efficient tracking of past issues and reducing issue/crisis response time on cloud servers
 - Spearheaded the development of the ATB dashboard as a Redux + ReactJS + Django application
 - Benefited over 100 infrastructure engineers with improved incident response time, streamlined rollout processes, and better operational efficiency
- **KeyHub (Community's Email UI for Encrypted Password Exchange)**
 - Led the migration of eBay's KeyHub UI from Vue to React to align with eBay's tech stack
 - Upgraded KeyHub's encryption library to conform with the latest OpenPGP standard, fortifying security for password exchange across eBay's infrastructure team
 - Integrated KeyHub into eBay's cloud console UI using JS-Plugin, further enhancing user experiences

Expsoft Ltd., Software Engineering Intern May 2021 – Sept. 2021

- **Expsoft Auditing Platform**
 - Leveraged the power of Springboot and Maven to build resilient and user-friendly auditing platforms for governments and civil construction companies
 - Secured a project from Soochow government worth \$250,000 to supply customized audit platform