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Skills_

- Python | Java | Go | C++ | JavaScript | TypeScript | NodeJS | PyTorch | LangChain | SQL | MongoDB | Angular | React | AWS | Azure | Git
- Microservices | Frontend | Backend | Full-Stack | Machine Learning | Deep Learning | Computer Vision | Robotics

Experience

Software Engineer

Ocado Technology

London, UK

09/2024 - Present

- Worked in 2 different teams, one focusing on distributed systems with robotics, the other on retail simulation and optimisation.
- Developed a new variable vacuum system for a fleet of robotic arms in production. This project required communication
 with various teams to integrate my service, developing with low-latency and concurrency in mind to ensure compatibility with the large
 microservices architecture used in production. This is estimated to increase warehouse vacuum efficiency by 23-36% depending on usage.
- Currently working on optimising a large Java-based simulation application that models Ocado's online retail system, from modelling
 customer behaviour on the website, to the logistics of delivery time windows and routes for the drivers.

Software Engineering Internship (6-months)

Amadeus

London, UK

04/2023 - 10/2023

- Special 6-month internship working directly on one of the company's main products, alongside senior engineers, business analysts, and product managers.
- Full-stack development on a large microservices architecture using Spring Boot Java and Angular.
- Revamped the current system architecture by integrating and interfacing between different backend systems for data interchange.
- Developed a brand-new frontend UI based on design engineering specifications and created new REST APIs for the backend.
- Successfully delivered and presented 2 highly requested projects to customer airlines to assist with their business decisions.

Founding Engineer (Full Stack)

Fundee

Remote. UK

04/2023 - 09/2023

- Develop a fully functional web-based property rental application end to end as the first engineer in the company.
- Independently handled the full system development cycle, which included real-time hosting of the booking system, account and property management, a search algorithm, integrating a payment system, and developing an interactive UI.
- Future-proofed the system architecture in anticipation for growth by integrating AWS services that allow for easy upscaling.
- Presented the final MVP to the CEO, who approved deployment for testing with a small customer base.

Education _

Master of Engineering

Imperial College London

London, UK

10/2020 - 06/2024

- MEng Computer Engineering (Computer Science with Electronic Engineering) High 2:1.
- Favourite Modules: Software Systems, Machine Learning, Discrete Mathematics, Computer Vision, Functional Programming, Embedded Systems, Advanced Computer Networks, Robotics, Advanced Linear Algebra.

Projects

Master's Project: User-Adaptive Educational Device Powered by Generative AI.

- Individual research and development project to create a standalone educational device for young learners, using a Raspberry Pi 4 in a custom 3D-printed, book-shaped case.
- Developed a platform that integrated generative AI models (GPT, DALL-E) to create personalised content by scraping live data on current world events, producing interactive stories, riddles, and puzzles.
- Designed a custom unsupervised density-based clustering model to build an intelligent recommendation system,
 which worked with large language models (LLMs) to continually generate and adapt content tailored to the user.
- Presented the project to a board of professors, who expressed strong interest in its educational potential, leading to a first-class grade and contributing to my overall first-class year total.

Hackathon - ICHack 2024: Geopolitical Sentiment Analyser using LLMs.

- Participated in Europe's largest student-run hackathon, developing a geopolitical sentiment analyser to track the impact of international events on equities and commodities.
- Led the backend development, integrating custom-chained LLMs and web scraping for data processing.
- Presented the technical side of the product to the judges due to having the most expertise in the technical component.
- Praised for technical knowledge and reasoning by judge and Quantitative Developer at Citadel LLC.