# SIMON OU

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#### Skills

Languages: TypeScript/JavaScript, C/C++, C#, Java, Python, Clojure, HTML, CSS, SQL

**Frameworks**: React, Next.js, Node.js, Express.js, ASP.NET, GraphQL, PostgreSQL, Android, Xamarin, Arduino, OpenGL, Unity **Tools**: AWS, GCP, Azure, Git, Linux, Docker, Kubernetes, Kafka, Octopus, TeamCity, Amplitude, Grafana, Figma, Postman

#### **Education**

# **Bachelor of Software Engineering** | University of Waterloo

Sep 2021 – Present

Courses: Data Structures & Algorithms, Digital Circuits, Object-Oriented Programming, Operating Systems

# **Work Experience**

# **Composer 𝚱** | Software Engineering Intern

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Overhauled the client onboarding and brokerage account creation systems, using *Leiningen*, *PostgreSQL*, and the Alpaca API, to equip **120K+** existing users with the ability to begin trading crypto assets in addition to U.S. equities.
- Restructured and redeployed the scheduler component of the account rebalancing system responsible for \$46M+ of daily trading volume, with *Clojure* and various *GCP* services, to meet the scheduling requirements of varying asset classes.
- Fortified user identity verification measures, using the Plaid and Footprint APIs, to thwart **160+** suspicious weekly bank linking and account funding attempts on the Composer trading platform.
- Refined the backtesting date selection algorithm, in *Clojure*, to provide maximal historical data for building trading strategies.

# **TOOLBX 𝚱** | Software Engineering Intern

Jan 2023 – Dec 2023

- Architected an order fulfillment and payment system to enable **42%** of all previously manual order conversions to be transacted within an end-to-end platform using *React*, *Express.js*, and *PostgreSQL*.
- Augmented search algorithms, using *GraphQL* and Algolia, to support granular price variations across **130K+** products.
- Engineered robotic process automations, written in *TypeScript*, to autonomously extract, parse, and synchronize \$500K+ of daily invoices from third-party software used by construction materials businesses.
- Devised a GitHub Actions CI/CD workflow to bring compatibility-related deployment failures from 6+ per month down to 0.

#### **Plenty of Fish 9** | Software Engineering Intern

May 2022 – Aug 2022

- Modernized the online dating experience for **1M+** daily worldwide users by reconstructing profile management, dating preferences, and account settings webpages from the ground up using *React* and *TypeScript*.
- Formulated new REST API endpoints for profile marketing features, using ASP.NET, Kafka, and PostgreSQL within a distributed microservice architecture, to boost new user engagement by 12%.
- Implemented unit and integration tests across the stack, using *TypeScript* (Jest & Enzyme) and *C#* (XUnit & Moq), to ensure program correctness and determinism with at least **80%** front-end and **98%** back-end code coverage.

# Pentabyte Studios | Lead Software Engineer

Jan 2022 – Aug 2022

- Spearheaded the production of an open-world multiplayer role-playing game built using *Unity, Polygon*, and *Azure* services.
- Directed and coordinated art, design, and development teams comprised of **10** ambitious employees by distributing responsibilities, setting project deadlines, and running scrum meetings.

#### **Projects**

# Upcoming 3D Battle Royale | Unity, Azure, .NET, C#

Oct 2022 – Present

- Developed and optimized an AES-encrypted multiplayer server, using .NET UDP sockets, to securely communicate complex real-time player movement data across network clients at less than **5 KB/s** per client.
- Incorporated a client prediction and server reconciliation algorithm to promote smooth *Unity (URP)* gameplay and server-driven state synchronization while consuming less than **1 ms** of time overhead per frame.

# Automated Voice-Controlled Chessboard & | Arduino, Python, C, Woodworking, 3D Printing

Oct 2021 - Nov 2021

- Programmed a stateful move-checking chess algorithm, in *C*, to guide gameplay on a 25" x 25" plywood chessboard complex.
- Consolidated move-checking, speech-to-text, and mechanical actuation subsystems, using *Python* on an *Arduino*, to allow stepper motors and an electromagnet to respond correctly to vocally issued move commands.

# YRDSB Student Planner App Ø | Android, Xamarin, C#, Java

Mar 2019 – Mar 2020

- Designed and built an Android utility app for students of the York Region District School Board, employing Google and Twitter APIs to fetch live updates related to school announcements and calendar events.
- Centralized client-server communication with a handmade .NET TCP socket server that used SMTP to authenticate users through passwordless student email verification.

#### **Awards**

Semi-Finalist, International Championship of Collegiate A Cappella Bronze Medallist, Canadian Computing Olympiad (24/2827 in Canada) Contender, Canadian Mathematical Olympiad (83/7000+ in Canada) Perfect Score, Fermat Mathematics Contest (23/19393 worldwide) Jan 2024

May 2020

Mar 2020

Feb 2020