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SUMMARY

Qowiyyu is an HNG alumnus and a fast-growing software engineer with a keen interest in building high-performance systems that deliver measurable business value.

He is skilled in Python and C++ and has worked with FastAPI, Redis-for quick data retrieval, Celery-for background task processing and New Relic-for application monitoring and performance tracking.

Qowiyyu demonstrated his drive for efficiency on a team project by reducing database query latency from 500ms to 30ms -solved an N+1 query performance issue.

During his college days, Qowiyyu launched a low-impact hack on the dinner night voting website and he is currently seeking to join a hardcore engineering team where he can take on hard problems, learn and contribute to building secure, scalable, and highly available software.

EDUCATION

University of Lagos (UNILAG)
Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronics Engineering

Dec. 2017 - Aug. 2024
CGPA: 4.11/5.00

EXPERIENCE

Ubuntu Farms
Lead Backend Engineer (Contract)

Remote
Nov. 2024 – Mar. 2025

- Architected and implemented an e-commerce system that served ten thousand users.
- Organized peer pull request review to ensure code quality in production.
- Wrote API documentation.
- Ensured the use of security practices, including JWT - for authentication and authorization and hashing- for data encryption.
- Integrated New Relic to monitor and improve the application performance.

Qudra
Backend Engineer (Contract)

Remote
Sept. 2024 – Nov. 2024

- Architected and implemented a portal for standard exams (WAEC, JAMB, IELTS and TOEFL) mock practice.
- Reduced database queries from 500ms to 30ms, resulting in a better user experience and user retention.
- Developed APIs that integrated with AI models to convert PDF to audio and audio to PDF format. Increased customer satisfaction by 60%.
- Developed user performance and engagement tracker, which resulted in better exam practice suggestions and 80% user retention.

Graphite
Backend and Embedded Engineer (Contract)

Remote
Jun. 2024 – Aug. 2024

- Designed and developed backend systems that enabled the over-the-air purchase of electricity. Reducing purchase time by 70%.
- Enhanced customer satisfaction by 60% by developing a real-time energy consumption data tracker.
- Built a secure endpoint for remote control of electrical appliances via the internet.

HNG (Hotels.ng)
Web Crawler Developer (Contract)

Remote
Mar. 2024 – Apr. 2024

- Built a web crawler that automatically websites. Improved response time by 40%.

HNG (Hotels.ng)
Backend Intern (Contract)

Remote
Mar. 2023 – Sept. 2023

- Migrated data from an old SQL-based database to an API-based database, maintaining SEO rankings with a 97% success rate.
- Developed the backend for a video recording and sharing tool.
- Designed a video recording and sharing tool and improved its performance by 80% using background task processing and streaming techniques.
- Developed a web scraper and data pipeline for [carsng](#) Improved the product base of the business by 40%.

SKILLS

Technologies: FastAPI, Git, PostgreSQL, MySQL, Redis, Celery, Docker, Alembic, ORM (SQLAlchemy)
Sentry, New Relic, Selenium, BeautifulSoup

Languages: C++, Python, HTML, CSS and Arduino C

PERSONAL PROJECTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Faculty Dinner Voting Site Hack

Aug. 2024

- Reverse-engineered and developed a script using proxies to bypass the site's IP rate limiting and voted multiple times.
- Submitted a patch to prevent bot voting.

Plagiarism Checker

July. 2024

- Developed software - an extended version of MOSS software from Stanford University— using the winnowing algorithm to flag documents and code for plagiarism.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers)

Unilag, Nigeria

Student Branch Chair

Jan. 2021 - Dec. 2023

- Led a team of twenty students that created Devsprint-the first and only national data structures and algorithm competition-that hosted about 160 participants. Now featured on national technology news (Techcabal)
- Second runner-up of 2023 Region 8 ASYPC (African Students and Young Professionals Congress) technical project contest.
- Managed a team of thirty students that founded Sicon; an annual software and hardware project showcase that hosted 100 students.
- Won the IEEE Region 8 2023 grant for a collaborative technical project.
- Produced the first-time winner of IEEE REM (Richard Merwin Scholar) at my university.