Arun Dunna

Software / Security Engineer

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Education

University of Massachusetts Amherst

M.S. Computer Science

Focus: Networks, security, machine learning, and financial modeling

University of Massachusetts Amherst

B.S. Computer Science, Minor: Mathematics

Amherst, MA

May 2018 - Dec 2020

Amherst, MA

Aug 2016 - May 2018

Experience

Meta Platforms, Inc. | Security Engineer

Remote, USA | Apr 2022 - Current

- Vulnerability research on internal and external software/hardware. Compiled reports including vulns, attack vectors, fixes/improvements, etc. & worked with PoCs to implement fixes. Filed relevant SEVs/incidents & CVEs.
- Lead security assessments involving internal and external PoCs, and managed other engineers on assessments.
- Built and maintained internal tooling (e.g. assessment and artifact tracker, deep permission checker across Meta, & others), and improved documentation and workflows for Security organization and Offensive Security Group.
- Took ownership of and cleaned/maintained multiple security oncalls. Built internal process for mentorship between senior and junior engineers in offensive security. Improved assessment prioritization framework for business goals.

Champria (Startup) | Consulting CTO / Tech Lead

Remote, *USA* | Sep 2021 – Feb 2022

- Designed and built foundations for infrastructure, products, and tech stack, then oversaw all development. System design and tech stack for all tech aspects, e.g. web products, infrastructure hosted on AWS using HashiCorp products for orchestration, custom-built CI/CD pipelines, robust GraphQL-based APIs for both internal and external use, high-performance database architectures with Postgres, & significant internal tooling.
- Worked with CEO, growth & design departments to rollout iterations of company's Esports analytics platform.
- Wrote all company technical guidelines, e.g. engineer performance review cycles, and documentation guidelines.
- Managed lead engineer & 5 software engineers, incl. advising, performance improvement plans, and code reviews.
- Instilled positive company culture & improvement-based development environment for engineers through policies.

Yext, Inc. | Software Engineer

Washington, D.C. | Jan 2021 - Apr 2022

- Built pipeline and React-based UI for managing and deploying models used in search engine product "Answers". Handled roughly 800 models across 16 environments, with an average latency of ≈20ms per model query.
- Worked on Java services such as Query Suggest and Spell Check, reducing build times by over 90% and configuration read times from 160µs to 1.7µs. Contributed to new product features such as Query Reranking.
- Worked on migration tooling in Go for automating move from internal systems to HashiCorp products.
- Responded to incidents and vulnerabilities, such as the Log4j zero-day Log4Shell.

University of Massachusetts Amherst | Course Instructor

Amherst, MA | Jan 2019 - Dec 2020

- Wrote & taught courses CS 365: Digital Forensics, CS 197U: Intro. to Unix, and CICS 191: First Year Seminar.
- Managed 12 undergrad/grad course assistants & graders for my courses. Held office hours & advised students.

Facebook, Inc. | Security Engineering Intern

Remote, USA | May 2020 - Aug 2020

IIJ Innovation Institute Research Lab \mid Research Intern

Tokyo, JP | Jun 2019 - Aug 2019

University of Massachusetts Amherst | Research Assistant

Amherst, MA | May 2017 - Dec 2020

Publications

1. Bringing Transparency to YouTube's Demonetization Algorithms

ACM CSCW, Nov 2022

2. Sanitizing a View of Consumer Broadband in the United States

TMA, Jun 2020

3. Characterizing the Deployment and Performance of Multi-CDNs

ACM IMC, Oct 2018

4. Analyzing China's Blocking of Unpublished Tor Bridges

USENIX FOCI, Aug 2018

Skills

- Languages: C++, Hack, HTML + CSS, GraphQL, Java, JavaScript, Lua, PHP, Python, R, SQL, TypeScript
- Platforms: Android, MacOS, Unix & Unix-like, Web (Django, Flask, NextJS, Node, React), Windows
- Specializations: Censorship systems, full-stack development, Internet policy, Internet measurement, machine learning, ML pipelines, networks, research, security, software engineering, Unix & Unix-like systems