Alex Liang

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EDUCATION

The University of Auckland

2022 - Present

 ${\bf Bachelor\ of\ Engineering\ (Honours)} \boldsymbol{\cdot Software\ Engineering}$

2023 Dean's Honour List

First in Course - Object Oriented Programming

Studies End Nov 2025

EXPERIENCE

Spark NZ · **Software Engineer**

Auckland, NZ • Feb 2024 - Present

- Automated 50+ hours worth of manual testing, saving over \$100,000 annually.
- Played a pivotal role in exceeding EOFY KPI targets by completing 200+ PBIs and 800+ tickets.
- Designed and deployed a Microsoft Power App to display test results for auditing purposes, **eliminating the need of manual data handling** for test evidence.
- Increased **test case coverage by over 400%** by delivering 100+ productionised E2E test scripts.
- Successfully scaled an Azure storage solution, optimising for future performance and reliability.
- Migrated an on-premise database solution to Azure SQL, reducing operational costs and overhead.
- Provided assistance in converting non-technical testers to quality assurance engineers.

Spark NZ · Software Engineer Intern

Auckland, NZ • Nov 2023 - Feb 2024

- Created automated, end-to-end test scripts for a complex ERP system using Playwright.
- Improved test reliability by optimising existing test scripts, resulting in a 5x decrease in flakiness.
- Designed relational database schemas and managed test data using Microsoft SQL Server.
- Leveraged Docker to introduce a standardised process of creating pipeline agents for test execution.
- Utilised NodeJS libraries to streamline software integration tests and generate test data files.

EXTRA CURRICULARS

Software Engineering Student Association · Industry Lead

Oct 2023 - Present

- Student elected role for a club of over 500 active members and an executive team of 17.
- Led a small team in organising industry related events for the software engineering cohort.
- MC and event lead for the largest student run hackathon in New Zealand with 90+ participants.

Software Engineering Student Association · Student Mentor

Mar 2024 - Present

Microsoft x Spark Generative AI Hackathon · 3rd Place

Aug 2024

PROJECTS

TrackTrekker · Song Suggester · TypeScript, React, SpotifyAPI

https://alux444.github.io/tracktrekker/

• Developed the application in collaboration with a UX design student and multiple end users.

KiwiMart · E-Commerce Store · JavaScript, React, Firebase

https://alux444.github.io/online-store/

• Led the development of a full-stack CRUD application in team of 3.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages Java, TypeScript / JavaScript, Go, C#, Python, SQL, HTML, CSS
Tools React, NodeJS, .NET, Playwright, Cypress, Selenium, Postman
Databases Microsoft SQL Server, Azure SQL, PostgreSQL, Firebase, SQLite
Other Git, Docker, Azure, Linux, Microsoft Power Platform, Dynamics365