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Education

Georgia Institute of Technology

Dec 2025

M.S in Computer Science, ~57th youngest student in program history (0.14th percentile).

University of California, Berkeley

Dec 2024

B.A in Applied Mathematics, Graduating at age 18.

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Experience

Uncountable - Incoming Software Engineer - San Francisco, CA

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Heimdall Data - Software Developer Intern

Aug 2023 - Feb 2024

- Improved customer Time-to-value (TTV) by simplifying virtual database setup GUI in Heimdall Proxy by introducing caching checks, resulting in ~50% fewer clicks to starting database initialization.
- Corrected login history inaccuracies in application, achieving a ~50% increase in precision by refactoring authentication workflow through Spring Security and Angular and writing mock authentication tests in JUnit.

ZoneUp - Contract Software Engineer

May 2023 - Jul 2023

- Directly collaborated with cross-functional teams (UX Designer, CEO, CTO) on a full-stack landing page by writing 6,000 lines of code using React, Express, and PostgreSQL incorporating 3D models and animations. [site]
- Designed a cost-efficient AWS Architecture to handle 2,000 monthly users using Lambda and RDS.
- Introduced DevOps productivity tooling by automating CI/CD with AWS CodePipeline & configuring auto scaling EC2 instances with Elastic Beanstalk and Docker, reducing deployment & autoscaling time from 10min to <1 min.

Good Work Hub - Freelance Software Developer

May 2023 - Jul 2023

- Reduced deployment time of Good Work Hub applications from 10 min to 2 min and compute cost by ~40% by designing and developing a new CI/CD pipeline from the company codebase to a DigitalOcean droplet.
- Implemented safeguards for code stability by configuring linters & test-runners for incoming PRs with GitHub Actions and documenting unit test & style guidelines in Confluence, increasing unit test code coverage by 50%.

Django Software Foundation - Open Source Contributor

Mar 2023 - May 2023

• Co-authored optimization effort for count() & exists() Queries in the Django ORM by writing ~200 lines to remove extraneous SQL inner join calls, reducing processing time for certain count and exists queries by ~90%. [PR]

Projects

GenAl Scenery Creation with Stable Diffusion

• Latent Diffusion model fine tuned with LoRA to generate Miyazaki style background scenery. Model trained with Weights & Biases experiment tracking, data from BeautifulSoup web scrapes, and deployed on AWS EC2.

Competitive Programming Teaching Portal

• In-house learning portal for when I was a programming teacher, integrating JWT authentication, Stripe Payments API, and embedded code editor. Built using Express and PostgreSQL, and hosted with AWS Lambda & RDS.

Digicache Photo Sharing Platform

• React app that allows users to create and share pins at custom locations, created with Google Maps API, GraphQL & MongoDB. Project won a Major League Hacking Award at the Technica 2022 Hackathon.

Skills

Tooling: AWS, Docker, GH Actions; React, Express, MongoDB; PyTorch, Weights/Biases, HuggingFace, BeautifulSoup Languages: Python, Javascript, Java, C++, SQL (MySQL, PostgreSQL), Matlab, R; Typescript, HTML, CSS. Coursework: Data Structures, Machine Structures, Machine Learning, Linear Algebra, Discrete Math, Probability

Awards and Certifications

Machine Learning: <u>DeepLearning.Al Specialization</u> (2024) Cloud: <u>AWS Solutions Architect Certification</u> (2024) USACO Gold Qualifier: ranked top 10% of 18k contestants by writing efficient algorithms in Java/C++.