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# **FXPFRIFNCF**

## **APPIAN**

SOFTWARE ENGINEER II

OCT 2024 - PRESENT

- Designed and implemented an event-driven publish-subscription model for Appian's software release pipeline using Kubernetes (Argo CD), Python, GitLab CI/CD, and AWS (SNS, SQS). Improved pipeline durability and efficiency by 20% by offloading dependent jobs and converting them into subscribers.
- Leveraged Python, SQL, and GitLab CI/CD to create a pipeline to release software patches. Incorporated request submissions; departmental approvals; real-time patch status tracking; automated build, release, and regression testing; and audit infrastructure. Reduced patch process time by approximately 25%.
- Utilized Python, Terraform, and AWS (Lambda, CloudWatch Metrics/Alarms, SNS) to implement an automated error reporting mechanism for team-critical AWS Lambda function failures.
  Reduced incident response time by 23%.
- Employed Python, Bash, and Gitlab CI/CD to dynamically generate artifacts in the hotfix documentation generation pipeline, completely eliminating manual toil and reducing hotfix documentation generation time by about 20%.
- Optimized execution time of team-critical AWS Lambda function interacting with a PostgreSQL database by offloading 60% of computations to a user-defined function on the database server.
- Created, tested, and implemented 3 PyPI packages for internal use, hosted on a private GitLab instance. Reduced code duplication in 5 different team repositories.

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEER I

JUN 2023 - OCT 2024

- Applied Python, Bash, Terraform, AWS (Lambda, Cloudwatch, S3, IAM, Translate), and GitLab CI/CD to architect and create the infrastructure that internationalizes the entire Appian platform. Achieved a 99% reduction in translation cost and time, an 85% decrease in missing translations, and maintained a 92% accuracy compared to human translation services.
- Developed 4 ETL pipelines with Python, Bash, SQL, Terraform, and AWS (Lambda, Cloudwatch, RDS, DynamoDB, IAM, S3) to populate a PostgreSQL database daily, powering Grafana dashboards for visualizing software release metadata, test results, hotfix downloads, and i18n coverage.
- Designed and tested 7 internal REST APIs for use in 1+ETL and CI/CD pipelines, using Python and AWS (Lambda, Cloudwatch, DynamoDB, IAM).
- Redesigned the software release pipeline to use the Builder design paradigm using Python in order to dynamically generate the YAML files for GitLab CI/CD, reducing code duplication by 15% and improving the modularity and maintainability of the repository.

# **FDUCATION**

## THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE Jan 2024 - Dec 2026 GPA: 3.9 / 4.0

#### **GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE Aug 2019 - May 2023 GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

#### LANGUAGES

5+ years: **Python** 4+ years: **SQL** • **Java** • **C** 

1+ years: Bash • C++ • Go • Rust • JavaScript •

**Kotlin** 

## **TOOLS & TECHNOLOGY**

AWS (Lambda, Cloudwatch, S3, EC2, RDS, DynamoDB, SNS, SQS, EventBridge, IAM) • Terraform (IaC) • Docker • Kubernetes • Argo CD • Linux • Git • MySQL • PostgreSQL • NoSQL (MongoDB, Elasticsearch, Firebase) • GitLab CI/CD • Grafana • Android Studio • GraphQL • CUDA

# PERSONAL INTERESTS

## **PROGRAMMING**

My enthusiasm for programming comes from deep curiosity, creativity, and a keen attention to detail. I love tinkering and experimenting to learn how things work. Devising and executing solutions to real-word problems is deeply rewarding for me, and this genuine passion allows me to continually thrive in my career as a software engineer.

## **BARBERING**

Ever since I learned to cut my own hair, I have found barbering to be another way that I can express my creativity and attention to detail. In addition to myself, I give free haircuts to those who may not be able to afford current barbershop prices. For me, barbering is more than just a side hobby; it is a fulfilling craft and an additional form of artistic expression that enables me to empower others and myself with confidence.