

# ALEX WHITESIDE

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## EXPERIENCE

### Software Architect

2023-02-01 - present

*MoneyLion*

New York, NY (Remote)

- Designed and deployed a real-time telemetry pipeline for edge network routers using Go and Protobuf.
- Developed high-throughput sync agents across distributed nodes using gRPC and Redis streams.
- Created Verilog modules to validate MAC-level packet timings on custom FPGA NICs for load testing.

### Senior Director of Product Engineering, Marketing & Consumer Experience

2022-01-01 - 2023-01-31

*MoneyLion*

New York, NY (Remote)

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### Senior Director of Product Engineering

2021-02-01 - 2022-01-31

*Engine by MoneyLion (formerly Even Financial)*

New York, NY (Remote)

- Designed and deployed a real-time telemetry pipeline for edge network routers using Go and Protobuf.
- Developed high-throughput sync agents across distributed nodes using gRPC and Redis streams.
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### Director of Product Engineering, Consumer Products

2019-10-01 - 2021-01-31

*Engine by MoneyLion (formerly Even Financial)*

New York, NY (Remote)

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- Developed high-throughput sync agents across distributed nodes using gRPC and Redis streams.
- Created Verilog modules to validate MAC-level packet timings on custom FPGA NICs for load testing.

### Technical Lead

2018-08-01 - 2019-10-31

*Engine by MoneyLion (formerly Even Financial)*

New York, NY (Remote)

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### Cofounder & Chief Technology Officer

2015-06-01 - 2018-12-31

*Birch Finance (acquired by Even)*

San Jose, CA

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### Software Developer / Test Engineer

2015-04-01 - 2015-12-31

*Ultimate Software*

Weston, FL

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### Founder & Chief Technology Officer

2013-12-01 - 2015-01-31

*Discovery Spot / RILE*

Pensacola, Florida (USA)

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- Created Verilog modules to validate MAC-level packet timings on custom FPGA NICs for load testing.

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- network: GitHub
  username: awhiteside1
  url: https://github.com/awhiteside1
experience:
- organization: MoneyLion
  url: https://www.moneylion.com
  location: New York, NY (Remote)
  positions:
  - position: Software Architect
    startDate: 2023-02-01
    endDate: present
    remote: 1
    highlights:
    - Responsible for the consumer-facing B2B2C platform enabling millions of users to
search, compare, and convert on financial products.
  - position: Senior Director of Product Engineering, Marketing & Consumer Experience
    startDate: 2022-01-01
    endDate: 2023-01-31
    remote: 1
    highlights:
    - Led performance overhaul of embedded-banking experiences, driving sub-second first-
contentful paint and stronger SEO.
- organization: Engine by MoneyLion (formerly Even Financial)
  url: https://www.engine.moneylion.com
  location: New York, NY (Remote)
  positions:
  - position: Senior Director of Product Engineering
    startDate: 2021-02-01
    endDate: 2022-01-31
    remote: 1
    highlights:
    - Consolidated front-end codebases into an Nx monorepo, cutting p75 load times from 14
s to < 3 s.
  - position: Director of Product Engineering, Consumer Products
    startDate: 2019-10-01
    endDate: 2021-01-31
    remote: 1
    highlights:
    - Directed four cross-functional teams across Fiona, LeapLife, and BirchFinance
consumer brands.
  - position: Technical Lead
    startDate: 2018-08-01
    endDate: 2019-10-31
    remote: 0
    highlights:
    - Migrated flagship app from Angular to React and instituted a formal career ladder
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for front-end engineers.

- organization: Birch Finance (acquired by Even)  
location: San Jose, CA  
url: <https://birchfinance.com>  
positions:
  - position: Cofounder & Chief Technology Officer  
remote: 0.5  
startDate: 2015-06-01  
endDate: 2018-12-31  
highlights:
    - Built a scalable credit-card optimization engine and data pipeline, later licensed to external partners.

- organization: Ultimate Software  
url: <https://www.ultimatesoftware.com>  
location: Weston, FL  
positions:

- position: Software Developer / Test Engineer  
remote: 0.5  
startDate: 2015-04-01  
endDate: 2015-12-31  
highlights:
  - Developed custom automation frameworks and SaaS integrations with NetSuite and

Informatica.

- organization: Discovery Spot / RILE  
location: Pensacola, Florida (USA)  
url: <https://www.discoveryspot.com>  
positions:

- position: Founder & Chief Technology Officer  
remote: 1  
startDate: 2013-12-01  
endDate: 2015-01-31  
highlights:

- Invented Wi-Fi-controlled classroom robots used to teach STEM concepts in schools worldwide.

education:

- institution: University of Florida  
url: <https://www.ufl.edu>  
area: Computer Engineering  
studyType: Bachelor of Science  
startDate: 2012-08-01  
endDate: 2015-05-31  
location: Gainesville, Florida, USA
- institution: University of West Florida  
url: <https://uwf.edu>  
area: Computer Engineering (non-degree coursework)  
studyType: Computer Science  
startDate: 2010-08-01  
endDate: 2012-05-31  
location: Pensacola, Florida, USA

publications:

- name: 'Robotics: A Project-Based Approach'  
url: null  
publisher: null  
releaseDate: 2014-07-01
- name: A Robotic Interactive Learning Environment To Teach Physics  
url: null  
releaseDate: 2014-06-15  
publisher: null
- name: Tele-Robotics For Online Networking And Telecommunications Courses

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    releaseDate: 2014-06-15
    url: null
    publisher: null
- name: The Design And Implementation Of Tele-Robotics in Education
  url: null
  releaseDate: 2013-11-01
  publisher: null
- name: Android App Inventor for the Absolute Beginner
  url: null
  releaseDate: 2013-05-28
  publisher: null
- name: 'RILE: Robotic Interactive Learning Environment'
  releaseDate: 2012-09-20
  url: null
  publisher: null
projects:
- name: Netsuite Integration
  startDate: 2015-07-01
  endDate: present
  affiliation: null
  url: null
  highlights:
    - Enabled on-demand GL exports from UltiPro to NetSuite via Informatica Cloud Services.
- name: ITEP – Project Robo-Explore
  startDate: 2013-06-01
  endDate: present
  affiliation: null
  url: null
  highlights:
    - Created robotics-based networking labs for distance-learning courses.
- name: RILE – Robotic Interactive Learning Environment
  url: null
  startDate: 2012-04-01
  endDate: present
  affiliation: null
  highlights:
    - Remote robot system teaching physics and networking concepts to middle- and high-school students.
- name: Self-service API Extensions via Informatica Cloud
  startDate: 2015-04-01
  affiliation: null
  url: null
  endDate: 2015-07-31
  highlights:
    - Added new export entities for cross-system data integrations.
skills:
- category: Leadership & Management
  skills:
    - Engineering strategy
    - Team scaling
    - Career laddering
    - Cross-functional collaboration
- category: Architecture & Product
  skills:
    - System design
    - API architecture
    - Performance optimization
- category: Web & Application Development
  skills:
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- React / Next.js
- TypeScript & JavaScript
- Node.js
- Swift
- **category:** Cloud & DevOps
- skills:**
  - Kubernetes
  - AWS Lambda
  - CI/CD & IaC (Terraform)
  - Docker
- **category:** Data & Testing
- skills:**
  - SQL / MS SQL
  - Selenium
  - Redis