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# **Employment**

Software Engineer

Sporcle, Inc (<u>www.sporcle.com</u>)

Sept 2017 - April 2022

- Leveraged knowledge in JavaScript, PHP, SQL, and AWS to develop full-stack features across Sporcle.com's desktop and mobile sites, helping it scale to 1M+ gameplays per day.
- Project owner for Sporcle's recommendation engine. Used Elasticsearch, Redis, and collaborative filtering ML to serve personalized content to 550,000+ users.
- Collaborated with Sporcle CTO and customers to develop a real-time, multiplayer scoring app for live trivia shows that now generates over \$50,000 per week.
- Learned Git, React Native, and mobile app development to create Sporcle Word Ladder, a mobile trivia game available on <u>iOS</u> and <u>Android</u> with a 4.5 star rating.
- Learned Swift to build the majority of Sporcle's revamped iOS app, including in-app purchases, social authentication, web-view rendering, and backend infrastructure.
- Used Tableau, MySQL, and Redshift to produce graphs of Sporcle's KPIs and investigate user behavior, bringing a data-centric/evidence-based approach to product development.
- Designed a timeseries forecasting model that predicted Sporcle KPIs with 98% accuracy between 2020-2022.

# **Projects**

- Sporcle Playlive
  - o Real-time multiplayer trivia game
  - o Built with dom-vm, Stylus on the front-end, PHP, Node, js, Redis, Salesforce on the back-end
  - Utilizes websockets for real-time functionality
  - o Hosted on AWS
- Various personal projects hosted on <u>Github</u>
- A failed food truck

#### Skills

Proficient - JavaScript, HTML/CSS, PHP, Node.js, SQL, React/React Native, Redis, AWS, \*Nix, Git Familiar - Python, ML techniques/deployment, Elasticsearch, Firebase, Salesforce, Swift, Docker

#### Certifications

- Sumo Logic Search Fundamentals and Mastery (October 2019)
  - Demonstrated mastery of the Sumo Logic log analysis platform.
- Free Code Camp Front-End Developer (2017)
  - o Completed over 275 hours worth of front-end tutorials and projects.

### Education

University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA

Aug 2011 - May 2015

- Bachelor's in Political Science (Foreign Affairs). Minor is Astronomy.
- 3.91 GPA, Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa, Echols Scholar (top 5% of incoming students)