Qixiang Chen

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EDUCATION

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Troy, NY

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Economics

May 2019

EXPERIENCE

Daily Harvest
Software Engineer

Nov 2020 - Aug 2022

New York, NY

• Optimized order, subscription, and billing APIs for e-commerce website that affects millions of users

- Proactively resolved billing issues as a member of the on-call team using Datadog monitoring and implemented unit test coverage to reduce billing related complaints by over 35%
- Automated order refunds and replacements by utilizing Google Cloud Task queues to enable bulk actions for concurrent database changes, saving several hours of manual engineering efforts each week
- Collaborated with a team of engineers to redesign the relational database for flexible billing cadences, using percentage-based deployment via A/B testing to increase customer orders by 10-14%
- Assisted cross-functional teams in creating a B2B transaction feature by constructing relational database schemas and parsing user info for storage in Google Cloud, boosting customer conversion rates
- Led a project using Python and FastAPI to leverage Braze's connected content functionality for retrieving user data for SMS and email marketing campaigns, resulting in a 23% increase in customer engagement

PROJECTS

Video Night | Ruby on Rails, PostgreSQL, React, Redux, AWS S3

Sept 2022 – Present

- Developed a full-stack web application modeled after YouTube, utilizing MVC architecture and Rails polymorphic associations on the backend, with React on the frontend
- Implemented a custom user authentication system using Bcrypt for password hashing and the SecureRandom module to generate and store session cookies, ensuring persistent and secure logins
- Integrated AWS S3 for cloud storage of image and media uploads, significantly reducing server load and enhancing the scalability of video services
- Employed CSS3 Flexbox and media queries to create a responsive layout, and developed a custom modal framework using React component architecture, streamlining the creation of new forms

Cave Adventure | JavaScript, Phaser JS, HTML, CSS

Nov 2019 – July 2020

- Developed an interactive 2D shooter game leveraging conditional logic and Object-Oriented Programming techniques to create responsive character movement with realistic velocity and gravity
- Formulated a collision detection algorithm for sprite characters, integrating keystroke event listeners to monitor player movement and seamlessly revert characters to their previous state when collisions occur
- Leveraged HTML5 Canvas and JavaScript to render intricate game levels and character sprites, incorporating randomly generated mobs to enhance dynamic gameplay

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Ruby, Java, PostgreSQL, SQLAlchemy, JavaScript, TypeScript, HTML/CSS

Frameworks: Flask, Django, Ruby on Rails, Angular, Express.js, FastAPI, Kubernetes

Libraries: React, pandas, NumPy, Redux, Node.js

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, CircleCI, Google Cloud Platform, VS Code, Jira, Datadog, Postman