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EDUCATION

Northeastern University

Seattle, WA

M.S. in Computer Software Engineering - Information Systems, GPA 3.9

Sep 2021 - May 2023

Zhongnan University of Economics and Law

Wuhan, China

B.A. in Business English, GPA 3.2

Sep 2012 - Jun 2016

EXPERIENCE

Salesforce Inc

May 2022 – Aug 2022

Software Engineer Intern

Bellevue, WA

- Worked on Detection&Response team to build and optimize **detection engine** Orion for gathering and analyzing security threat-related information across Salesforce
- Designed and built a **cache infrastructure** for detection engine via **Elasticache** and **Redis**, to accelerate the data accessing speed more than 50%
- Created unit test&performance test to improve Orion Cache Client based on metrics and integrated it into CI/CD workflow, visualized the business and code logic to help future onboarding

Yimian by Ascential

Feb 2019 - Apr 2021

Software Development Engineer

Shenzhen, China

- Designed and implemented the external data visualizing product and the internal data processing tool, including API design, database selection and transforming, and data structure adjustment
- Improved the speed of API and SQL queries more than 90% via DB transforming and SQL optimizing
- Facilitated the usability, system stability and data security via implementing **parameterized debug and cache policy**, the **encryption of API and queries**, and the **data backup and isolation** for different levels users

PROJECTS

Webapp & Infrastructure | Lambda, LoadBalancer, DynamoDB, Cloudwatch

Sep 2022 – Dec 2022

- Implemented continuous&automated deployment triggered by merged PR via packer, AMI, git workflows
- Applied Autoscaling policy and Loadbalancer to adjust instance size automatically according to CPU utilization
- Built cloud-based email service, composed of route53, lambda, SNS, dynamoDB to ensure high availability

Orion Cache Client | Python, Elasticache, Redis, Terraform, Kafka, Grafana

May 2022 – Aug 2022

- Built a cache layer based on Elasticache and Redis to decrease data queries and improve accessing time
- Implemented the cache client and applied it for alerts deduplicating, design and revise performance test to visualize the effects of cache via different input and edge case
- Transform the data deduplicating process from in-disk database to in-memory cache, improve the deduplicating efficiency from 18% to 61%

YiDrone | Clickhouse, Impala, Oneapm, Kibana

May 2019 – Apr 2021

- Participated in the **database upgrading** from **MySQL sharding** to **Clickhouse**, responsible for DB research, comparing and speed test, data migration, structural adjustment and system acceptance check
- Implemented the dataflow transformation of processing, calculating and presenting. Implemented the **immediate** response of API calling via Redis cache, and built restricted user permissions to assure data security

Onemap | Flask, AWS S3, Pandas, Celery, Supervisord

Jan 2020 – Feb 2021

- Implemented the structuring of Excel raw data verification and storage using **AWS S3** as an online file staging area and the reversing of structured data via **Pandas**
- Built version control system to ensure data accessibility and built configurable crontab via celery to check the validity of rules regularly, which save 3 man/day a month

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, SQL, Java, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Swfit, Shell, TSM, VBA, Latex Tools and Framework: Flask, Django, SpringBoot, Vue.js, Jquery, Linux, Nginx, Git, Vim, Kubernetes, Docker, Kafka, MySQL, Redis, Clickhouse, Impala, Hive, AWS S3/EC2/Lambda/DynamoDB/Elasticache/Cloudwatch