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Summary

Innovative and highly effective software engineer experienced in building rich user interfaces using modern technologies. Finds creative solutions to complex problems. Committed to minimizing technical debt and enhancing delivery speeds. Excellent communication skills and thrives in autonomous environments.

Work Experience

InRhythm (Consultant @ Fidelity Investments)

Feb 2025 – Present

Angular Frontend Engineer

Remote

Member of a “Skunkworks” team building the Discovery Protocol for Fidelity to register in-house Angular libraries into a central discovery system for company-wide code sharing.

- Developed a CLI, Node scripts, custom decorators and discovery config schemas to execute on the vision for a new way to unify thousands of developers into a single direction
- Wrote Nx apps and libraries to simulate the end-to-end workflow of authors submitting their published code to the Discovery Site
- Set examples of coding standards for the web developers across the company to help unify the developer experience across multiple teams and domains.

Tech: Angular, Nx, TypeScript, Node, ts-morph, HTML, SCSS, Git, Agile

LPL Financial

Nov 2021 – Dec 2024

Senior Angular Frontend Engineer

Remote

Built a greenfield frontend web app called Model Hub, a client-facing investment modeling subsystem for Clientworks.

- Turned ideas into professional software, collaborated cross-functionally with various teams to build brand new features from scratch. Discussed features to build with business and users.
- Led the technical initiatives for building out the UI's libraries, services and stores across 3 teams so that code delivery would be optimized for success as the application scaled up.

Tech: Angular, TypeScript, MongoDB, Node, AWS, HTML, SCSS, Tailwind, RXJS, NGRX, Jest, SQL, Git, Agile

Credit Union of Texas

Nov 2020 – Sept 2021

React Frontend Engineer

Hybrid (Allen, TX)

Sole web developer on digital marketing team tasked with modernizing member-facing applications.

- Developed an auto loan application solution leveraging React, Node and TransUnion APIs which reduced customer input needed to 5 data points and then giving an instant credit decision.
- Migrated and re-built two high-traffic websites (cutx.org and fairlease.org) from Sitecore CMS to Banno CMS in under one year, resulting in annual savings of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Tech: React, Node, Gulp, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, jQuery, Git, Google Cloud, Sitecore, Salesforce, Banno CMS

Zilis

April 2020 – Nov 2020

React Frontend Engineer

Remote

First UI developer on a new team during a hyper-growth period where I built React and Wordpress sites.

- Spearheaded the development of five responsive PHP/MySQL WordPress websites and custom plugins, achieving international launch readiness within six months.
- Created, enhanced, and maintained core customer-facing apps built in React, including the primary Enrollment application which saw user growth of over 250% during my employment.

Tech: React, JavaScript/TypeScript, Wordpress, PHP, MySQL, Shopify, AWS, Azure DevOps, DigitalOcean

Self-Employed

Jan 2018 – April 2020

Full Stack Engineer

Fort Worth, TX

Provided full-service web agency services to local business owners to expand their online presence.

- Designed, developed and delivered marketing websites built in Wordpress with custom PHP templates.

Tech: Wordpress, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, PHP, MySQL, Adobe Illustrator, Apache, Siteground, BrowserStack

Projects

LightningLearn | lightninglearn.ai

Mar 2025 – Present

- New education platform I am building in public to learn anything fast using my LightningLearn method.

Personal Portfolio | alexcrist.com

Oct 2024 – Present

- Fun yet professional website I built from scratch (no themes or templates) to showcase my frontend skills.

Nsight Chat | nsight.chat

Nov 2023

- AI project I built with my meditation coach using OpenAI APIs streaming completions and custom prompts.

Growing Zone Finder | growzone.surge.sh

Sept 2021

- App for gardeners to find their USDA growing zone by zip code to optimize their plant yields and get other tips.

Skills

Programming Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, PHP, some C#

Web Technologies: Semantic HTML, CSS, SASS, SCSS, AJAX, JSON, I18N

Frameworks & Libraries: Angular 19, React, MEAN, MERN, NextJS, Node, Tailwind, Bootstrap, jQuery

Operating Systems: Windows, Mac, Linux, WSL, Raspberry Pi

Testing and Debugging: Jest, Cypress, Playwright, Chrome DevTools, test-driven development (TDD), end to end (E2E)

Database: PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Firebase, Supabase, backend

API & Cloud Computing: RESTful, GraphQL, Express, Websockets, edge functions, AWS, Salesforce, Zapier

CI/CD: GitHub Actions, Azure DevOps, TeamCity, Octopus, Jenkins

Hosting & Web Servers: Heroku, Vercel, Netlify, DigitalOcean, WP Engine, Siteground, Apache, Nginx, IIS

Web Servers: Build Tools: Vite, Webpack, Gulp, Grunt, Docker, Docker Compose, Babel, Artifactory

AI (Artificial Intelligence): OpenAI, Anthropic, HuggingFace, LM Studio, Copilot, GPT Engineer, Cline, Cursor

Design: Figma, Sketch, Invision, UI/UX, atomic design theory, mobile-first theory, BEM

Project Management: Agile, SAFe Agile, Scaled Agile, Jira, Azure Boards, Kanban, ClickUp, Linear

Other: RXJS, NGRX, Shadcn, Radix, Redux, Material UI, Markdown, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator

Education

Tarrant County College

Computer Science