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Summary

I have written code for distributed systems in academia and worked on new product features across the full stack of a B2B SaaS tool in production. I seek to apply my learnings by working on live distributed systems in industry.

Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor - B.S.E in Computer Science

AUGUST 2019 - APRIL 2023

- GPA: 3.465/4.0
- Coursework: Operating Systems, Web Systems, Distributed Systems, Machine Learning, Computer Security, Game Design, Foundations of Computing, Algorithms and Data Structures, Linear Algebra.
- Awards: Cum Laude, 6 Terms Dean's List (GPA 3.5+), 3rd Place at University of Michigan Games Showcase

Experience

Merge API, New York NY - Software Engineering Intern

MAY 2022 - AUGUST 2022

- Identified search feature opportunity through conversations with product manager and helped launch it.
- Created RESTful Django endpoints to handle frontend requests from a user-facing search feature and wrote accompanying unit and integration tests that ensured seamless rollout to production.
- Assisted chief architect with indexing new searchable documents from REDIS cache to OpenSearch, and helped load test Opensearch shards with live indexing and searching workloads from client activities.

Analog Devices Inc, Chelmsford MA- Digital Design Intern

MAY 2021 - AUGUST 2021

• Developed modular python tooling to evaluate components of an embedded system and automate data collection of their performance. Code used by QA teams to accelerate their own calibration processes.

Projects

Haunt - 2D Action Game

- Listened to user playtesting feedback to organize agile development sprint tasks that prioritized features among my team of 5 developers leading to an award-winning finished product after 6 weeks.
- Built reusable components in C# that other group members could build out according to their needs.

Paxos - Distributed Consensus Protocol

• Designed layered software in Golang with clear API abstractions allowing a network of computers connected by TCP and UDP to reach a consistent ordering of requests despite partitions or failures.

Skills and Frameworks

English, Spanish, C/C#/C++, Python, Javascript, Golang, Typescript, React, Django, Opensearch, Postgres, Docker, WSL, Linux, Unity, git, Agile development, Jira, SQL, MySQL, TCP, UDP, Sockets, Concurrency, Threading