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## Stack

**Languages:** Javascript - HTML5 - SCSS - Bash**Front end libraries:** Angular - jQuery - Require - Bourbon**Server:** Node**Build tool:** Grunt**Deployment:** Heroku - AWS**Graphics Applications:** Photoshop - Illustrator - Sketch**Code Applications:** Sublime - iTerm - Chrome Dev Tools - SourceTree - iOs Simulator - Genymotion**Version Control:** Git**OS:** Mac**Database:** MongoDB

## Career

### OKCupid (dating website) - Frontend Engineer, November 2013 - Present

* Developing Angular single page mobile web apps from the ground up
* Coding features, including:
  + touch and swipe interaction
  + infinite scroll
  + pull to refresh
  + pinch to zoom
  + photo upload
  + Instant chats and notifications with WebSockets
  + Tinder-like card swiping interface
  + animated screen transitions with 3D effects
  + swipeable image galleries
  + phone/tablet responsive
  + geolocation
  + sticky footers and headers
  + lazy loading assets
  + optimized load times via VanillaJs landing pages, on-demand asset loading, bundling, and compression
* Assembling Grunt development environment, including:
  + localhost server
  + Weinre remote device debugging
  + effortless retina/non-retina spritesheet generation
  + endpoint proxying
  + deployment scripts for a variety of asset servers, including AWS
  + cache-busting mechanisms
  + asset compilation
  + rollback functionality
  + git integration
* Owning an entire codebase
* Sharing codebases with other front-end engineers
* Conducting A/B tests
* Tweaking designs based on test results
* Organizing project roadmaps
* Transferring architecture and features between separate projects
* Writing detailed specification documents for backend developers
* Collaborating with backend developers on API modeling
* Collaborating closely with designers on product features
* Styling CSS with pixel perfect alignment against designer files

### BernieSelfie.com (side project) - creator, July 2015 - Present

* creating a website that helps people combine their photos with campaign graphics and share the result on social media

### Viggle Inc. (second screen app) - Senior Web / Javascript Engineer, April 2013 - October 2013

* Owning the Angular codebase for two single page apps
* Delegating tasks to other frontend engineers
* Coordinating production deployment with backend
* Estimating tasks, researching technology, and planning for future initiatives

### Blaboid Inc. (startup) - Entrepreneur, November 2010 - April 2013

* Launching a social networking platform
* Coordinating business needs with lawyer, accountant, and consultants
* Developing the platform, consisting of a single page HTML5 Backbone mobile web app with user generated content, hosted on Amazon, with PHP/MySQL backend

### Alexander Interactive (Agency) - Frontend Web Developer, May 2011 - March 2012

* Serving E-commerce clients such as Lowe’s Home Improvement and Adorama.
* Doing agile with daily scrum calls, sprint planning/review, and demos for executive product owners.
* Flying to client corporate headquarters for onsite consulting.
* Working with distributed team members via Skype and email.

### KickApps/Kit Digital (Agency) - Frontend Web Developer, October 2010 - May 2011

* Developing social portals for such clients as:
  + The Doctor Oz TV Show
  + MIT University
  + Penguin publishers
  + Book Of Cool
  + Squabbler
  + Sharecare
  + Leap4Life
* Working with distributed team members via Skype and email.

### Rail Europe (Travel website) - Web designer, October 2006 - October 2010

* developing mobile and desktop e-commerce web frontend

### Epoch (band) - Guitarist, September 2003 - October 2006

* writing songs
* engineering audio
* producing albums
* performing shows
* building and programming electronic instruments
* creating the band’s website

### Regeneron (pharmaceuticals) - Graphic designer, July 2000 - October 2005

* Designing logos, banners, posters, fliers and presentation materials
* Preparing images for patent submission
* Formatting scientific imagery for journal publication

## Education

2003 Ithaca College, Ithaca NY, Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy Major