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## EDUCATION

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### Duke University

Aug. 2021 – May 2025

BA Computer Science / BA French

- Software Engineer for Duke Robotics Team
- Member of Duke Cyber Team (Policy and CTF competition)
- Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Elements of Machine Learning, Computer Systems, Natural Language Processing, Engineering Computational Methods, Data Analysis & ML
- Experience with PyTorch, Apache Spark, Kafka, Airflow, HuggingFace, LangChain, OpenAI SDK, RAG, YOLO
- DevOps experience deploying Kubernetes clusters, Docker containers, AWS EC2 instances, integrating Datadog APM
- Cybersecurity experience with Kali Linux, Portswigger, Metasploit, Operating Systems, computer networking.

### Farmington High School

Aug. 2017 – May 2021

High School Diploma

Farmington, MI

- 4.0/4.0 GPA
- 35 ACT
- AP Scholar with Distinction
- All State Golf Team 2019

## EXPERIENCE

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### Technical Product Manager

May 2024 – Jul 2024

Validity.id

Chicago, IL

- Lead software engineer at digital credential startup Validity.id
- Fundraised \$500k seed round from Maven Ventures
- Wrote smart contracts in Solidity to batch upload student credentials for clients Duke and Rice University
- Shipped Next.js frontend to interact with Optimism L2 smart contracts
- Orchestrated MongoDB deployment on AWS EC2, increasing database performance and availability to support user interactions.

### Software Engineer Intern

Jul 2022 – Oct 2022

Kiski Financial Group

New York, NY

- Responsible for the creation and development of financial reports (Correlation matrices, portfolio dispersions, etc)
- Interacted with company databases using SQL to utilize PowerBI and Tableau tooling
- Designed and built software using React.js and PowerBI to create a new generation client view

### Rotational Technology Intern

Jul 2023 – Sep 2023

Founders Table

New York, NY

- Beta tested and worked alongside the software engineering team to develop new generation software to upload quality control checks automatically
- Designed an AWS Lambda function to integrate with Toast POS API, ensuring operations for a restaurant group of 100+ locations.
- Learned the entire technology stack enabling operations, supply chain management and accounting
- Interacted with suppliers to manage contracts to combat inflation and its impact on COGS

### Software Engineer Intern

May 2022 – Jul 2022

Duke Office of Information Technology

Durham, NC

- As part of the Code+ program, developed and deployed Duke FixIt, an interactive web application which allows staff and students to conveniently report issues in their dorm, classroom, etc.
- Interfaced with Facilities Management to create a system which seamlessly integrated with their existing systems and workflows
- Utilized Ruby on Rails (Backend), React.js (Frontend), Docker, and Kubernetes

## RESEARCH

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### Research Assistant

Jun 2024 – Present

Duke Marine Robotics and Remote Sensing Lab

Durham, NC

- Programmed Autonomous Drone Flights (DJI Matrice 350) to survey Ft. Macon State Park
- Utilized Pix4D to create orthomosaic photogrammetry maps
- Finetuned YOLOv8 model to classify habitat species for endemic species of the Outer Banks
- Trained and Deployed YOLOv8 computer vision model on Azure GPU.

PROJECTS

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**Text-to-Video** **May 2024**

*Runway.ai, ChatGPT API, FFMpeg, OpenCV, Streamlit*

- Built full-stack application using Runway.ai, ChatGPT, and FFMpeg to create generative videos on demand.
- Utilized image diffusion model to create video frames.
- Hosted and usable on Streamlit.

**SportsBetAI** **May 2024**

*TypeScript, Prisma, Kafka, Airflow, Clerk, SerperAPI, OpenAI*

- TypeScript application with Prisma database, Clerk authentication, SerperAPI, and OpenAI integration.
- Built data pipeline using Apache Airflow and Kafka
- Enabled users to search the web for updated sports stats to inform their bets.

EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

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**Member** **Aug 2021 – Present**

*Duke Robotics Team*

- Program autonomous robot system to compete in the Navy's Robo-Sub competition.
- Utilized ROS for controls, React.js for GUI, and OpenCV + DepthAI for computer vision.
- Developed Unity simulation in C# to generate synthetic training data for object detection model.

**Member** **Aug 2021 – Present**

*Duke Cybersecurity Team*

- Compete in Cyber 9/12 strategy Public speaking competition organized by Atlantic Council
- Advanced to Finals in 2024 NYC Financial Markets Cybersecurity event.
- Organize and staff annual Duke Cybersecurity Conference.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, C++, TypeScript, Ruby, SQL
- Frameworks: React.js, Next.js, Ruby on Rails, PyTorch, PySpark, Solidity, ROS
- DevOps: Kubernetes, Docker, AWS EC2, Serverless frameworks (AWS Lambda), Datadog APM
- Libraries: HuggingFace, LangChain, OpenAI SDK, YOLOv8, QisKit

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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- Studied at Sorbonne University, Paris, France (2023-2024)
- Fluent in French, Conversational in Arabic
- Golf (+1 Handicap), Skiing, Chess, Poker, Caddying