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Journey to Becoming a Full-Stack Developer

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Introduction

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A Software Developer with over a decade of experience in the Industry, worked in various roles, from a developer to a tech lead, and now operating my own software development and consultancy firm.

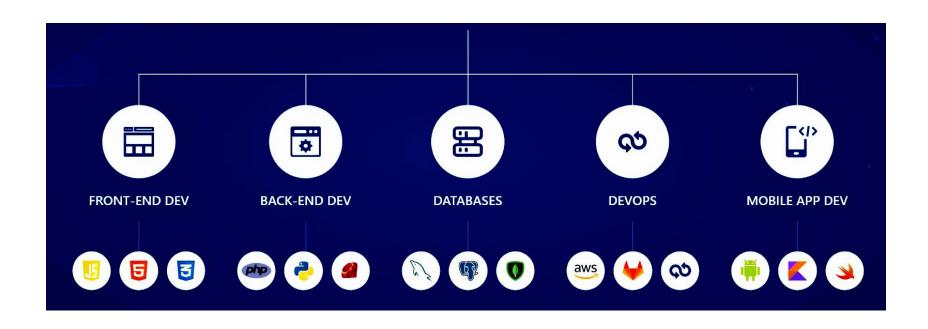


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Definition: Full-Stack development refers to the ability to work on both the Front-End (client-side) and Back-End (server-side) portions of a web application. It involves developing everything from the user interface to the server logic and database management.

What is Full-Stack Development? (Cont'd)

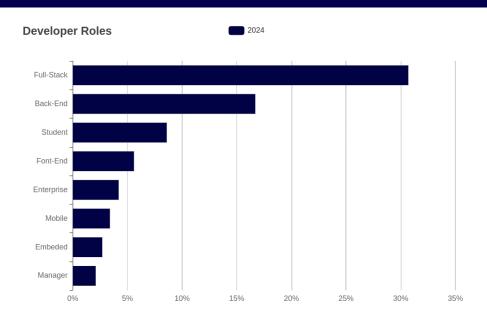


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Stack Overflow 2024 Survey

Full-Stack, Back-End, and Front-End developers were the top three roles reported by developers for the last three years; however, Front-End developers have decreased from 6.6% to 5.6% since last year. This year, more developers identify as students than as Front-End employees and we saw a slight increase in developers who have an embedded applications role or are academic researchers.



Reference: https://survey.stackoverflow.co/2024/developer-profile/#developer-roles

Why Full-Stack Development? (Cont'd)

- Versatility
- Autonomy
- Demand in Industry
- Career Opportunities

Skills Required

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Technical Skills

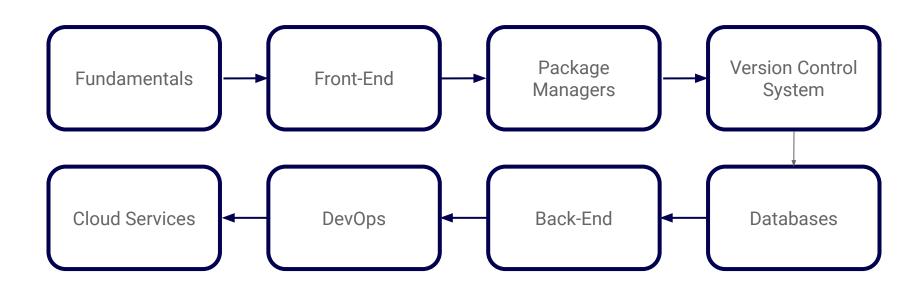
- Front-End: Mastery of HTML, CSS, and JavaScript frameworks like React or Angular.
- Back-End: Understanding of server-side languages like Java or Python.
- Databases: Proficiency in SQL and NoSQL databases.
- Version Control: Knowledge of Git and GitHub for collaborative development.
- DevOps: Familiarity with tools like Docker and Jenkins to manage deployment and scaling

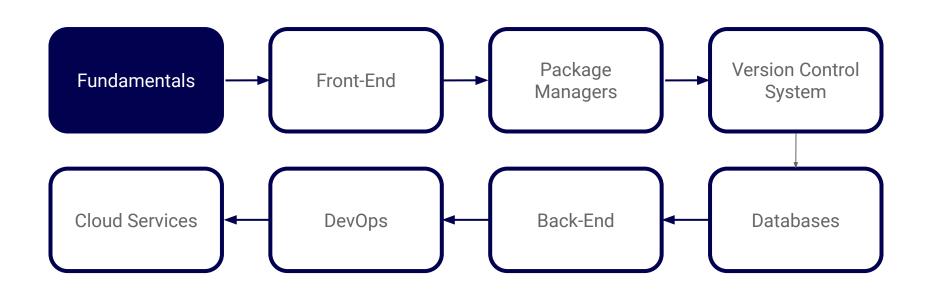
Soft Skills

- Problem-solving: Ability to tackle complex technical challenges.
- o Communication: Clear communication with team members and stakeholders.
- Adaptability: Staying updated with rapidly evolving technologies.

Learning Pathway

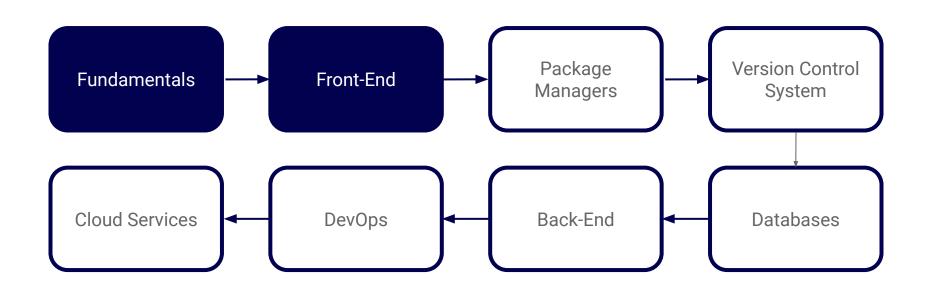
Learning Pathway





Fundamentals

- Programming Concepts
- Client Server Model
- Editor
- Terminal

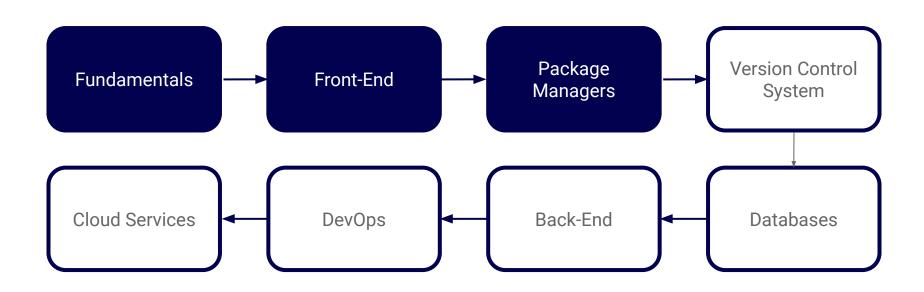


Front-End Beginner

- HTML & CSS
- JavaScript
- CSS Frameworks & Layouts

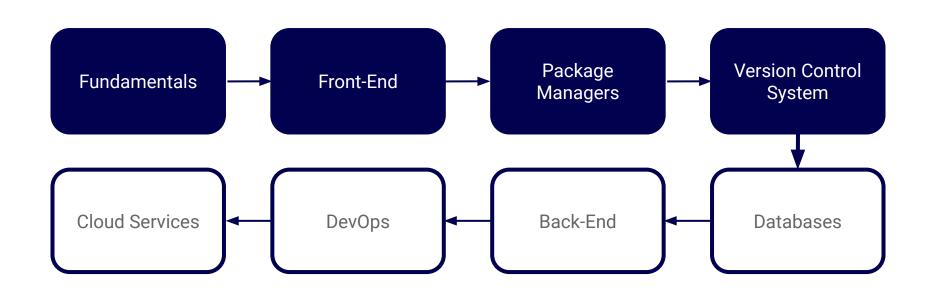
Front-End Advance

- JavaScript Frameworks & Meta Frameworks
- CSS Processor
- Build Systems



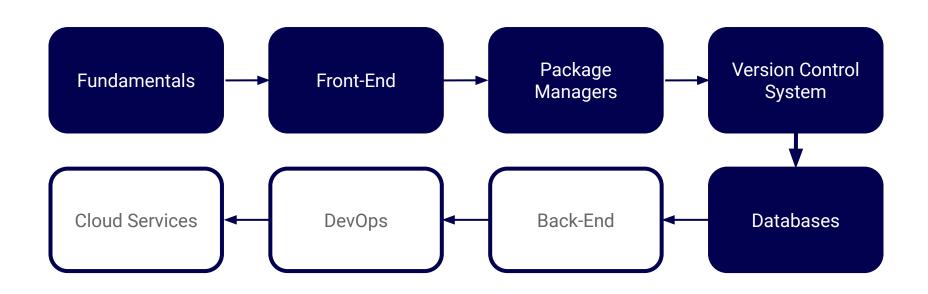
• Package Manager

- o NPM
- Yarn
- o PNPM
- Maven
- Gradle

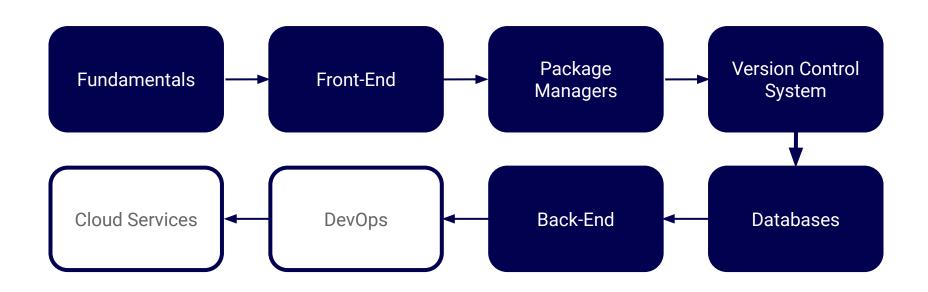


Version Control System

- GIT & GitHub
- Subversion (SVN)
- Team Foundation (TFS)



- Databases
 - o SQL
 - NoSQL

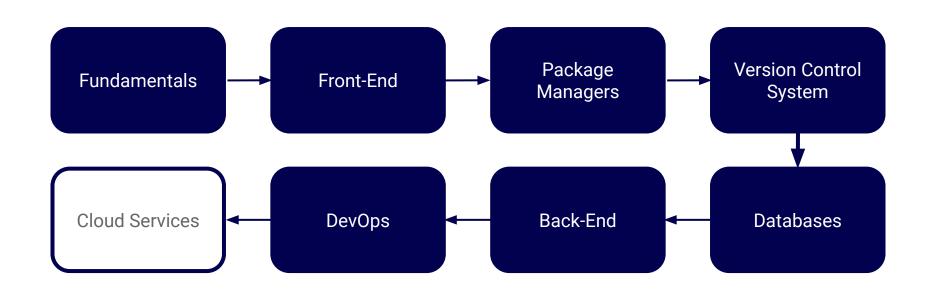


Back-End Beginner

- Linux Basic
- REST & JSON
- Web Services
- Backend Frameworks & Templating Engines

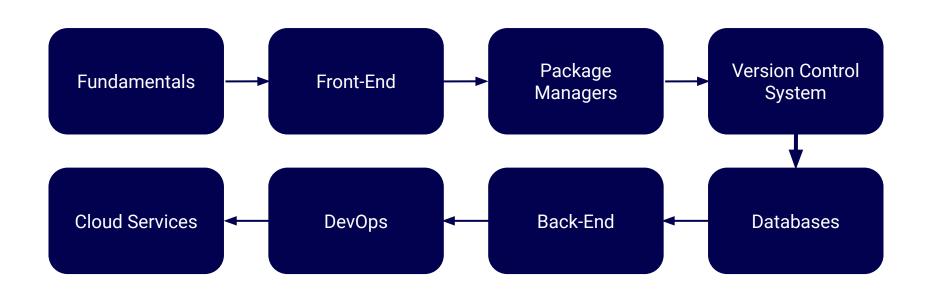
Back-End Advance

- Authentication and Authorization (JWT, Oauth, SAML)
- Caching
- Message Brokers



DevOps

- CI / CD (Github Actions, Jenkins)
- Containerization (Docker, LXD)
- Virtualization
- Load Balancer (NGINX)



Cloud Services

- Amazon Cloud Services (AWS)
- Microsoft Azure
- Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
- Vercel

Hands-On Practice

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Building Projects: Start by building small, focused projects. For example, create a to-do list app, a blog platform, or a basic e-commerce site to practice full-stack development.

Contributing to Open Source : Contributing to open-source projects is a great way to improve your skills, gain exposure, and collaborate with other developers. Platforms like GitHub host thousands of open-source projects waiting for contributions.



Current Trends

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• Emerging Technologies

- o AI/ML
- IOT
- Block Chain
- o WEB 3.0

Future

- Microservices
- Serverless Architecture
- JAMStack

Challenges & Pitfalls

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Common Scenario

- No clear direction
- No specific expertise
- Burnout

Solutions

- One thing at a time
- Front-End or Back-End heavy
- Project based learning

Industry Insights

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Market Demand: The demand for full-stack developers has been on the rise, with businesses seeking versatile developers who can manage end-to-end development. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of web developers and digital designers is projected to grow 8% from 2020 to 2030, faster than the average for all occupations.

Hiring Trends: Companies are increasingly looking for developers who are not just proficient in coding but also have a solid understanding of the entire tech stack. This trend is evident in job postings, where 'Full-Stack Developer' is one of the most frequently listed positions in the tech industry.

Salary Insights: Salaries for full-stack developers vary by region, experience, and the technologies they specialize in. However, on average, full-stack developers earn competitive salaries that are often higher than those of front / back-end specialists. For instance, in the U.S., full-stack developers earn an average salary of around \$110,000 per year, while in India, the average salary is ₹6,00,000 to ₹15,00,000 annually.

Building Portfolio

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- Personal Projects
- Open Source Contributions
- Internship & Freelancing
- Live Demos & Code Repository

Resources for Learning

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- MDN
- Web.DEV
- GIT
- Google Developer

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Today, we covered the essentials of full-stack development, including what it is, why it's important, the skills required, and how to get started. Remember, **the journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step**.

Start your journey today by exploring the resources mentioned, building your first project, or contributing to an open-source initiative. The world of full-stack development is waiting for you.

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Thank You

Q&A