Kenneth Gao

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EDUCATION

National University of Singapore

Singapore

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Engineering, E-Scholars Programme

Hwa Chong Institution

Singapore

GCE A-Levels, 90RP with H3 Distinction

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern

Jan. 2024 – Present

NodeFlair

Singapore

- Interning under the web-app team, working with Ruby on Rails and React
- Created an internal UI library to ensure design consistency across web-app

Programming Lead

Nov. 2023 – Present

CloudHacks 2024

Singapore

• Coordinating efforts to redesign and rebuild promotional website with Nextjs

Software Engineering / Machine Learning Intern

Nov. 2023 – Jan. 2024

xDATA, Home Team Science and Technology Agency (HTX)

Singapore

- Worked on Vertext, an in-house NLP tool serving 10+ government agencies
- Contributed to frontend redesign, enhancing visual appeal and improving UX
- Refactored codebase for cleaner implementation and reusable components
- Constructed knowledge graphs from unstructured text with GenAI to enhance retrieval augmented generation (RAG) and improve multi-hop QA performance

SSP Platoon Commander

Dec. 2022 - Nov. 2023

16C4I Bn, Singapore Armed Forces

Singapore

- Led a 20+ member platoon to maintain constant battalion operational readiness
- Automated admin chores such as duty scheduling, leading to increased efficiency

Projects

treehouse | React, AWS

• Developed a full-stack web application for sharing community activities

Budgety | React Native, Firebase

• Developed a full-stack native application for tracking expenses and viewing insights

Awards

HTX's HacX! | 2nd Runner-up

Nov. 2023

• Developed an application that utilises VGG16 and YOLOv8 to accelerate the tool accounting process for contractors entering secure facilities

SCS's Splash Awards | 1st Place

Oct. 2023

• Developed a full-stack native application featuring a gamified way to learn about Singapore's culture

SUTD's What the Hack | 1st Place

Aug. 2023

• Developed an emotion-recognition application leveraging upon LLMs

CloudHacks | 1st Place

Aug. 2023

• Developed an articles-to-podcast application for personalised news consumption

Technical Skills

Languages: JavaScript, Python, Ruby, C/C++, SQL (Postgres), HTML/CSS

Frameworks: React, React Native, Node.js, Flask, Django

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, AWS, Microsoft Azure, Google Cloud Platform, Firebase

Libraries: pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, PyTorch, LangChain