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EDUCATION

National University of Singapore

B.Eng Computer Engineering (E-Scholars Programme) | 5.0 GPA

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern @ Open Government Products (OGP)

Sep. 2025 - Present

Availability: Jan. 2026 onwards

Expected Grad: Dec. 2026

OGP builds technology for the public good, solving problems for citizens and public officers

• Interning under the Armoury team (https://reports.open.gov.sg/armoury/overview)

Software Engineering Intern @ Binance

May 2025 - Aug. 2025

Binance empowers users to trade, invest, and manage cryptocurrencies seamlessly and securely on a global scale

- Implemented a caching service for third-party APIs, improving data retrieval performance by 50%
- $\bullet \ \ {\rm Developed}\ \ {\rm aMFA}\ \ {\rm key}\ \ {\rm management}\ \ {\rm extension},\ {\rm accelerating}\ \ {\rm development}\ \ {\rm workflow}\ \ {\rm and}\ \ {\rm reducing}\ \ {\rm OTP}\ \ {\rm retrieval}\ \ {\rm time}$
- Explored rate limiter implementations to ensure system stability via managing API request rates
- Designed RPC endpoints for action-centric workflows, reducing integration complexity

Founding Software Engineer @ Check (Iterative W25)

Feb. 2025 - May 2025

Check offers an AI tutoring platform that enhances student performance with personalized, curriculum-aligned learning

- Engineered and launched over 5 novel features, driving a 40% surge in user retention and engagement
- Optimized daily pg_cron jobs to ingest thousands of session results for identifying students' areas for improvement
- Implemented client-side caching and lazy loading, reducing load times by over 80% to improve user experience

Software Engineering Intern @ London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG)

Jun. 2024 – Dec. 2024

LSEG Labs addresses challenges in financial markets by assessing climate risks and simplifying ESG disclosure

- Utilized Infrastructure as Code (IaC) with Terraform to provision micro-services for a data ingestion pipeline, reducing provisioning times by 90% and maintaining idempotency across multiple development and test environments
- Designed and deployed infrastructure using AWS SNS for efficient Pub/Sub data-sharing between micro-services
- \bullet Led development of replay feature with Athena for event-driven architecture, accelerating disaster recovery by 80%
- Built CRUD module for hierarchical data access permissions using composite keys in AWS DynamoDB (NoSQL)
- Explored WASM SQLite with NoSQL backend, enabling complex analytics and cutting down backend calls by 50%

Software Engineering Intern @ NodeFlair - SEA Tech Career Platform

Jan. 2024 – Jun. 2024

NodeFlair connects tech talents with job opportunities, optimizing the recruitment process for millions in SEA

- Enhanced and optimized the existing Ruby on Rails API to support large-scale, high-availability services and boost site performance and scalability for over 400,000 monthly users
- Leveraged parallel integration and e2e testing to achieve a 50% reduction in Continuous Integration (CI) test time
- Set up Docker images for development to mimic production environment, reducing on-boarding time by over 80%

Projects / Extracurriculars

Insecure File Service | Simple file sharing service for public use - ifs.kenf.dev

Sep. 2024 - Present

- Developed a serverless file sharing service using AWS Lambda, CloudFront, and S3, managed with Terraform
- Adopted by 50+ users for sending files to public printers, eliminating the need for sign-ins on public machines

Linux Homelab | Repurposed Laptop Running Ubuntu Server

Feb. 2024 - Present

- Configured a reverse proxy on a DigitalOcean droplet to handle SSL termination, optimizing network performance
- Enhanced security posture by facilitating p2p connections with Tailscale as a Zero Trust Network (ZTN) solution
- Utilised as a cloud compute platform for self-hosting services, enabling cost-effective testing and rapid iteration
- Automated off-site backups to Backblaze B2 using cron and rsync, with Telegram notifications for status updates

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, Ruby, Java, C, C++, SQL, MongoDB, Cypher, Terraform, Bash Frameworks: Next.js, React, React Native, Plasmo, Node.js, Spring Boot, Flask, Django, FastAPI, Ruby on Rails Developer Tools: Git, Docker, AWS, Microsoft Azure, Google Cloud Platform, Firebase, Supabase, Neo4j