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EDUCATION

University of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Physics

Aug. 2022 - Apr. 2026

• Coursework: DS & Algorithms II, Software Engineering, Web Dev, Software QA, Operating Systems, Quantum Computing

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer

May 2023 - Present

University of Pittsburgh Biomedical Informatics

Pittsburgh, PA

- Led architecture and drove key technical decisions across 9+ projects, often as the lead or sole developer
- Architected a secure, HIPAA-compliant Linux/Docker infrastructure for AI compute workloads, now serving 200+ users
- Developed a tool with React, SAS, and FastAPI to explore drug-disease relationships in 13M+ PaTH Network patient records
- Built a Next.js app using LLMs to parse biomedical knowledge graphs and generate visual/text summaries of drug mechanisms
- Modernized a decade-old \mathbf{SQL} analytics codebase with modular design and incremental processing, reducing runtime by $\sim 30\mathbf{x}$
- Prototyped a ML tool for UPMC hospital to identify dangerous patient care transitions with FastAPI and React
- Scripted multi-node SLURM pipelines for HPC data analysis, reducing quarterly workflow compute times by 90%+
- Contributed to a PyTorch ML framework for training predictive models on temporal data through a Svelte web interface

Full Stack Developer Intern

May 2023 - Sep. 2023

Center for Analytical Approaches to Social Innovation

Pittsburgh, PA

- Promoted post-internship to a consulting role, advising on direction and key engineering decisions for multiple projects
- Led full-stack migration of project to a Django and React stack, introducing new features while improving maintainability
- Developed an analytics dashboard using Django and Chart. is to analyze user engagement and inform outreach decisions
- Implemented a secure user authentication and authorization system with OAuth 2.0 integration to manage access
- Established CI/CD pipelines with GitHub Actions, streamlining and automating build, test, and deployment processes on AWS

Software Developer

Dec. 2022 – May 2023 $Levy\ Lab$ Pittsburgh, PA

- Extended a custom Grafana fork with new Go and React modules for querying high-frequency physics time series data
- Refactored SQL tables containing billions of rows, reducing database size by over 40% and improving indexing performance
- Developed CI/CD pipelines using AWS, Docker, and GitHub Actions, fully automating daily builds and deployments

Projects

PlexAnibridge | Python, GraphQL, Docker

2025

- Built a media synchronization service tacking media watch-status between Plex and AniList, achieving 20,000+ Docker pulls
- Developed a Python sync engine using asyncio for concurrent processing and GraphQL for efficient AniList API mutations
- Created and maintain a metadata mapping database aggregating 8 sources, achieving ~97% accuracy for content ID matching

$RARAR \mid Python, CLI$

- Open-sourced the first random-access RAR archive reader, enabling partial archive extraction and 99%+ bandwidth reduction
- Engineered support for HTTP workflows, enabling efficient partial archive access in cloud and streaming scenarios

CSAW | Python, SQL, Wireshark

2023

- Contributed to organizing CSAW 2023, the largest annual cybersecurity event with 3,000+ participants and hundreds of teams
- Designed CTF challenges involving SQL injections and packet sniffing, which were attempted by 50+ teams and solved by six

libDrive | Python, Go, Flask, React, MongoDB

2021

- Built libDrive, an open source media library indexer using React, Flask, and MongoDB with native cloud storage integration
- Led development of libDrive's successor, Dester, fostering an open source community of 300+ members and 100K+ downloads

$MagnetMagnet \mid Python, Qt$

- Built a cross-platform GUI program to aggregate 5 torrent trackers, offering a consolidated interface to search or scrape them
- Attracted 1,000+ downloads and over 60 GitHub stars for the program's UI and ability to cut user search times

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, Java, Go, JavaScript, TypeScript, Rust, C, C++, Godot, HTML, CSS, PowerShell, Bash Frameworks: FastAPI, Django, Flask, React, Next.js, Svelte, Express.js, PyTorch, Qt, Pytest, Jest.js, JUnit, PyTorch Technologies: PostgreSQL, SQLite, Oracle SQL, MongoDB, GraphQL, SAS, Jupyter, RStudio, AWS, Docker

Concepts: Software Engineering, Web Development, Full Stack, Machine Learning, CI/CD, DevOps, SysAdmin, Server

Management, Server Infrastructure, Database Management, HPC, Distributed Systems, Agile Methodologies