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Software Developer

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Career Objective

Full Stack Developer with a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science and Mathematics from the University of Toronto, proficient in building and deploying scalable applications across diverse platforms. Experienced in both front-end and back-end development, with expertise in delivering end-to-end solutions optimized for speed, reliability, and seamless user interactions.

Education

HBSc. in Computer Science and Mathematics University of Toronto

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, JavaScript, SQL (PostgreSQL), Java, TypeScript, C, Kotlin, HTML/CSS, Bash, R

Frameworks: React, Next.js, Node.js, Django, Flask, jQuery, Bootstrap, Tailwind CSS, Vite

Libraries: TensorFlow, PyTorch, OpenCV, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Scikit-learn

Development Tools: Git, Docker, AWS, Redis, Linux, Jira

Experience

Self Employed | Outlier

May 2024 - Present

- Improved LLM-generated coding responses to beyond state-of-the-art (SOTA) models by refining algorithms, structuring modular components, enhancing error management, and ensuring reliability through extensive unit tests.
- Tackled various coding challenges, delivering clean and efficient solutions in different languages and frameworks, including JavaScript, Python, Node.js, Next.js, and Angular.
- Engineered multi-turn prompts and assessed model responses to improve conversational flow in natural language interactions.
- Promoted to reviewer after receiving positive feedback from TLs, reviewing the work of over 50 project contributors to ensure
 quality and consistency.
- Provided detailed feedback that contributed to improving response quality across a large volume of coding prompts, driving better performance and improved project quality.

Projects

Kick Live | Next.is, Flask, Redis, Nginx, AWS

- Developed a live football scores website and optimized backend performance by using Redis to cut response times by 95%.
- Deployed the application on AWS EC2, providing a scalable and highly available solution, demonstrating proficiency in cloud infrastructure and system design.
- Leveraged external APIs for real-time data on 10,000+ matches across 9 leagues, showcasing strong data processing skills.

Decidophobia | Django, Next.js, PostgreSQL, Docker, Jira

- Teamed with 6 people to design and develop an online shopping aggregator, featuring product listings from 4 marketplaces, utilizing PostgreSQL for database management.
- Engineered a neural collaborative filtering-based recommendation system, tested on datasets with 100,000+ data points.
- Led Agile development by coordinating sprint planning, retrospectives, and standups every two days to ensure efficient team communication and project management.
- Integrated Docker for containerization, enabling consistent development and production environments.

Neural Net | Python, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib

- Built a Python-based neural network framework, gaining expertise into ML system design and optimization techniques.
- Incorporated advanced optimizers like Adam and RMSProp, increasing test accuracy by 60%.
- Trained and tested neural networks on multi-class and binary classification tasks, achieving test accuracy above 90%.
- Optimized the frameworks's performance through the integration of mini-batch gradient descent, reducing training time by 40% and improving scalability for larger datasets.