

Curriculum Vitae
Gregory Thomas Croisdale

Founding Engineer, Khaki
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Skills

JavaScript/TypeScript, React, Rust, C/C++, C#, OCaml
Full-Stack Application Design, Implementation, and Evaluation

Academic Background

PhD Candidate in Computer Science

Aug 2022 - Aug 2025

University of Michigan

M.S. earned in May 2024

B.S. Computer Science

Aug 2018 - May 2022

Mathematics and Philosophy Minors

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Experience

Founding Engineer

Aug 2025 - Present

Khaki (TechStars Columbus Fall '25)

- Architected a TypeScript monorepo to support an AI-native email client, handling concurrent, long-running secure sessions.
- Implemented scalable Infrastructure-as-Code (IoC) using OpenTofu/Terraform and Ansible to manage production deployments.
- Engineered a custom server-side rendering pipeline to safely display potentially adversarial HTML/CSS from arbitrary email senders without compromising client security or UX.
- Created and managed the security audit to achieve CASA Tier 2 verification (Google), unlocking sensitive data scopes required for production.
- Deployed cross-platform clients (Web, iOS via Capacitor) and iterated rapidly based on user feedback and telemetry.

PhD Candidate

Aug 2022 - Aug 2025

University of Michigan

- *Advisor: Dr. Cyrus Omar*
- **Hazel:** Implemented the *Livelits* runtime system in OCaml, bridging the interpreter state with the browser DOM to enable user-defined GUI widgets. Built a JavaScript FFI to embed Hazel into web environments via iframes with Ink and Switch's Patchwork.
- **Rubikon:** Architected and implemented an AR Rubiks Cube tutoring system using ArUCO markers in Python with a team of undergraduate researchers. Published in *DIS 2025*.
- **DeckFlow:** Built a multimodal generative AI infinite canvas in Python/React with novel iterative feedback mechanisms using TlDraw. Conducted an N=16 within-subjects user study to evaluate iterative prompting flows, conducted open-book coding from telemetry, recordings, and interviews. Published in *VL/HCC 2025*.

Teaching Assistant

Aug 2024 - May 2025

University of Michigan

- **EECS 490 (Programming Languages):** Worked with Dr. Cyrus Omar to design assignments in Hazel, OCaml, and Rust, teaching type theory and functional programming concepts.
- **Alien Anatomy: How ChatGPT Thinks** Helped developed the curriculum and assignments for the university's inaugural "AI for Non-CS Majors" course. Wrote lectures explaining Neural Networks and Backpropagation.

- **EECS 183 (Intro to CS):** Managed a staff of 20+ graders for a 1000-student course. Oversaw grading infrastructure, exam logistics, and staff coordination. Taught a weekly lab section.

Undergraduate Research Assistant	Jan 2021 - Aug 2022
University of Tennessee & Stony Brook University (PAIRS, MoSIS Lab, & TEALab)	
• Trained and optimized Ancient Greek character recognition models using RNNs, ResNet, XGBoost from citizen science data. Ported the inference engine to run entirely client-side in the browser using WASM. Published in <i>eScience 2021</i> .	
• Created client-only code generation application for optimized stencil computation. Published in <i>ISPASS 2022</i> .	
• Developed mobile data collection apps for IoT bike seat sensor to support pose estimation on a stationary bike. Published in <i>IMWUT 2023</i> .	

Service	University of Michigan CSE Grad Student Government, <i>University Relations Chair</i>	2024-2025
	University of Michigan CSE DEI Discussions, <i>Roundtable Moderator</i>	Oct 2023
	University of Michigan AI Symposium, <i>Poster Chair</i>	Oct 2023
	Xplore Engineering program for Middle Schoolers, <i>Program Presenter</i>	Jul 2023

Publications	DeckFlow: Iterative Specification on a Multimodal Generative Canvas VL/HCC. September 2025.
	Rubikon: Intelligent Tutoring for Rubik's Cube Learning Through AR-enabled Physical Task Reconfiguration DIS. July 2025.
	SmarCyPad: A Smart Seat Pad for Cycling Fitness Tracking Leveraging Low-cost Conductive Fabric Sensors IMWUT. September 2023.
	FOURST: A code generator for FFT-based fast stencil computations IEEE ISPASS 2022. May 2022.
	Exploring Learning Approaches for Ancient Greek Character Recognition with Citizen Science Data 17th IEEE eScience 2021. Sept 2021.

Awards and Grants	Best Demo Award, <i>UMich 2022 AI Symposium</i> , Rackham Merit Fellowship, <i>UMich 2022</i> , Excellence and Distinction in Undergraduate Research, <i>UTK 2022</i> , NSF REU (1950042) Grant Participant, <i>Stony Brook University 2021</i> , Gonzalez Family Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, <i>UTK 2021</i> , SURGE Grant Recipient, <i>UTK 2020</i> , and Undergraduate Research Travel Grant, <i>UTK 2020</i> .
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