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#### **EDUCATION**

# University of Southern California

Master of Science, Computer Engineering

August 2024 - May 2026

GPA: 4.0

# **SKILLS**

Tools: AWS, Google Cloud Platform, Docker, Git, Kubernetes, CI/CD

**Technologies:** Django, Django REST Framework, Flutter, Provider, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Spring

Languages: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, Java, Dart

Coursework: Algorithms, Operating Systems, Computer Networks, Cloud Computing, Image Processing

## **EXPERIENCE**

# Wide Wings Media

July 2023 - July 2024

Fullstack Developer

Pune, India

- Fully redesigned the existing website for <u>ticketkhidakee.com</u>, leading to a  $\sim$ 45% increase in traffic and  $\sim$ 30% increase in user retention over 6 months
- Designed a robust cloud architecture for handling bursty traffic patterns, deployed on AWS resources
- $\bullet$  Configured global CDN on AWS CloudFront and designed a fine-tuned caching policy to handle  $\sim$ 500,000 daily users

May 2023 - July 2023

 $Software\ Development\ Intern$ 

Pune, India

- Wrote a serde protocol to translate between protocol buffers and AVRO based schemas for event-driven applications
- $\bullet$  Facilitated communication between heterogenous serialization formats between services, reducing the time taken for data transformation by  ${\sim}50\%$

#### CO-CURRICULAR WORK

## Adaptive Computing Experiences Lab

October 2024 - Present

Research Assistant

University of Southern California

- Worked under Prof. Souti Chattopadhyay as a Research Assistant at the Adaptive Computing Experiences Lab (ACE)
- Published a paper titled "SciSO: Mining Science in StackOverflow" in the Mining Software Repositories '25 Conference

Django August 2022 - Present

Contributor

- Contributed over 15 accepted pull requests adding patches, bug-fixes, and new feature additions to Django
- Submitted a GSoC 2022 proposal for adding rate-limiting to Django core and a second GSoC 2023 proposal to include CORS and CSP support in Django core

## **PROJECTS**

#### docxlatex

- Wrote a Python library to extract mathematical equations, text, and images from .docx files
- Included a conversion API for converting extracted equations into LaTeX
- Hosted on PYPI under the name docxlatex, with  $\sim 1000$  downloads a month

## **MJXGUI**

- Created an open source WYSIWYG equation editor for the web with a GUI for creating equations similar to Google Docs or Microsoft Word
- Wrote an API for conversion of created equation into LaTeX for convenient storage and/or rendering