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Senior software engineer

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SUMMARY

- Strong knowledge of Object-Oriented Programming concepts
- Highly skilled in enterprise solutions development
- Proficient in Java technologies such as Spring MVC, Spring boot, Hibernate/JPA, JAX-WS
- Experience using: Python/Django PHP (Laravel & Zend) Java-script (Vue-JS, React-JS, Angular)
- Experience developing and consuming REST and SOAP APIs
- Experience working with MSSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis Cache
- Experience developing android applications with Java
- Cloud Technologies worked with include Azure DevOps, AKS, Azure, AWS, EKS, Digital-Ocean (CentOS and Debian)
- Tenacity for solving difficult problems
- Software testing and version control
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Efficient in managing an agile group of developers
- Great report writing and documentation skills
- Supportive Team lead

SKILLS

Java, Kotlin, Android, OOP, JAX-WS, Spring MVC, Spring Boot, Hibernate, XML, Python/Django, C++, C, Visual C#, PHP (Laravel, Zend), JavaScript, Vue.js, React.js, Angular, SOAP APIs, MongoDB, Redis, MySQL, Microsoft SQL Server, Data Modeling, SQL, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Excel, Project Management, Docker, RESTful APIs, Java Web Services, Azure, Azure DevOps, AKS, AWS, EKS, Agile, CI/CD

EDUCATION

Bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Wisconsin-Stout in 2010

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Software Engineer at Facebook

Middleton, WI | Nov 2018 - Apr 2023

 Developed and implemented MS Services architecture for financial applications, ensuring scalability, performance, and security.

- Designed and implemented **microservices** using **Spring Boot** and **Java** for seamless **integration** with other applications.
- Conducted **code reviews** and provided **technical guidance** to the development team to ensure **adherence** to coding **standards** and **best practices**.
- Designed and implemented **Azure Service Bus** and **Event Grid** for **efficient communication** between **microservices**.
- Integrated MS Services with various data sources such as databases, APIs, and message queues.
- Designed and implemented ETL processes to extract data from various sources, transform it as per business requirements, and load it into data warehouses.
- Developed ETL workflows using tools such as SSIS, Informatica, and Talend to automate data integration processes.
- Conducted data **profiling**, **data mapping**, and **data quality checks** to ensure **data accuracy** and **consistency**.
- Optimized ETL performance by tuning SQL queries and implementing parallel processing.
- Designed and implemented **error handling** and **recovery mechanisms** to ensure **data integrity** and **reliability**.
- Designed and developed data models using ER modeling techniques to represent business entities and their relationships.
- Normalized and denormalized data models as per business requirements to optimize query performance.
- Conducted **data modeling sessions** with **business analysts**, **developers**, and **stakeholders** to elicit and validate requirements.
- Created data dictionaries and documentation to ensure consistency and clarity in data definitions.
- Worked with database administrators to implement physical data models in various database management systems such as SQL Server, Oracle, and MySQL.
- Successfully **managed a team of engineers** responsible for building solutions that integrate with various **banks** in **US** for card and **account-based transactions**.
- Led the engineering of various product initiatives, including direct card and account debit (recurring), multi-provider switch service for transaction processing with automated routing for high availability, interbank transfer service, automatic settlement service (hourly and daily cycles), dispute management system with automatic dispute and reversal, and back-office portal for management of services.
- Achieved higher customer satisfaction with the implementation of automated reversal of failed POS transactions, resulting in a significant decrease in customer complaints and improved customer retention
- Improved the **transaction success rate** during a major downgrade with **bank services** that lasted **3 months**, leading to a **50% increase in adoption** and **100% increase in transaction** count per day.
- Implemented a **multi-factor authentication system** for **secure account access**, which significantly reduced the risk of **fraudulent activity** and improved **overall system security**.
- Developed a **real-time monitoring system** that allows for the **quick identification** and **resolution of system issues**, **reducing downtime** and **improving system reliability**.
- **Designed** and **implemented** a **disaster recovery plan** that ensures **system availability** in the event of a **catastrophic event**, which greatly improved the **overall resiliency** of the system.
- Proficient in various **programming languages**, including **Java**, **Kotlin**, **Python**, and **C++**, as well as experience with various **software development frameworks**, including **Spring** and **Hibernate**.
- Experienced in working with **various databases**, including **MySQL**, **Oracle**, and **MongoDB**, and experienced in designing and optimizing **database schemas** for **high-performance applications**.

- Skilled in various **software development methodologies**, including **Agile** and **Waterfall**, and experienced in leading **cross-functional teams** through the entire **software development lifecycle**.
- Knowledgeable in various **cloud technologies**, including **AWS** and **Google Cloud Platform**, and experienced in **designing** and **deploying** highly available and scalable applications in the cloud.
- Led the **development** and **deployment** of several **VAS solutions**, including the **NIN Update solutions**, **Data bundle bonus offers**, **Google RCS solution**, and other **VAS services**.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to ensure seamless integration and delivery of VAS solutions.
- Conducted technical feasibility studies and provided technical guidance to support product development.
- Developed and implemented **best practices** for **VAS solution delivery**, **resulting** in **increased efficiency** and **quality**.
- **Mentored** and **trained** junior developers to enhance their **technical skills** and improve their **performance**.

Software Engineer at Capgemini

Houston, TX | Oct 2016 - Oct 2018

- Led the mobile engineering team to integrate third-party products and grow the bank's income via digital channels
- Migrated cloud services to Azure Kubernetes Service, resulting in improved service uptime of 99%
- Setup Continuous Integration and Development using Azure DevOps, resulting in faster and more efficient development cycles
- Reduced fraudulent login and transactions by 85% via the implementation of device, limit, and twofactor setups
- Re-architected core services of the bank's mobile app for improved speed and efficiency
- Played a key role in the **design** and **management** of the new mobile app product
- Continuously **developed new features** and **improved existing features** on the New **Mobile**, working with an **agile team**
- Developed and managed the **digital banking solution** powering the **mobile application** using **Java Spring Boot**
- Successfully integrated the **digital banking solution** with the **core banking application** for services like **account debit, credit,** and **statement management**.
- Integrated third-party applications for value-added services including money transfer (local and FX),
 airtime and data top-up, device management, credential management (including fingerprint and card management), account management, bill payment, dispute log, movie and event purchase, loans, QR payments, and more.
- Consolidated both retail and business users onto a **single platform** with **dual login capabilities**, ensuring **seamless user experience**.
- Trained and mentored various teams including **Customer Support**, **IT Infrastructure**, **Database Team**, and **Fraud Team** on the **effective management** of users on the platform.
- Acted as the main point of contact for fixing complex issues beyond the capabilities of the various teams.
- Revamped the **Get-Jama android application** by implementing **Java** for survey answering and cash redemption.
- Migrated from **GCM** to **FCM** for **cloud messaging** in the version two of the application.

- Designed and developed an android-based application using Java for seamless collection of event reviews from attendees.
- Integrated **location services** to improve **data validation** and **accuracy**.
- Built a **web application version** of the same using **JavaScript** to enhance **accessibility** and **user experience**.

Backend Developer at **Kroger**

Dallas, TX | Sep 2014 - Oct 2016

- Debugged and modified the legacy software core of the Get-Jama data collection service using PHP Zend
 Framework, MySQL, MongoDB, and NodeJS.
- Revamped the **Get-Jama website** to improve **user experience** and **increase engagement**.
- Developed a **comprehensive reporting system** for the **Domestic & Sexual Violence Response Team** agency.
- Integrated an **automatic SMS notification system** into the **reporting system** to alert **relevant agencies**, such as the **police** and **health agencies**, nearest to the location of the incident for swift response.
- Developed a **robust incidence management** portal for the **team** to manage **reported incidences** from the above **channels**, as well as **walk-in reports**.
- Enhanced the **management portal** to generate **valuable data insights** about trends in **domestic violence** in the state.
- Architected and built a subscription system using short-codes for users to subscribe to daily SMS
 content.
- Developed a **billing system** that enables charging of users either weekly or daily using **multiple payment** gateways.
- Engineered a **content delivery system** for the subscribed product that uses a **queue-based message delivery service** for high throughput and low latency.
- Designed and implemented **load balancing** and **auto-scaling** for the system, which resulted in a **20% increase** in **system performance** and **stability**.
- Optimized the system to handle over 1 million subscribers while ensuring high system uptime and availability.
- Conducted **end-to-end testing** and integration of the system with various **telecommunication networks**, which improved **service delivery** and **reduced downtime**.

Backend Developer at CoreLogic

Los Angeles, CA | Aug 2010 - July 2014

- Developed and implemented a **subscription system** enabling **users** to **subscribe** to **daily SMS content via short-code**.
- Designed and executed a billing system to charge users either weekly or daily for subscribed content.
- Created a **content delivery system** to effectively **deliver SMS content** to users subscribed to the product.
- Built a **trivia service** allowing users to participate in **lotto campaigns** and answer **trivia questions** via **SMS** short-code.

- Developed a **lotto system** to run **lotto campaigns** and **determine winners** at the end of each campaign.
- Designed and implemented an **authentication system** enabling companies to generate and add **authentication codes** to their products for users to **verify product authenticity** via **SMS short-code**.
- Created a **survey system** for users to **complete short surveys** and earn money redeemable as airtime via **SMS**.
- Acted as a **systems administrator** in **the e-library**, installing **OS** and **applications** for new batches of computers, and **managing** the **library software KOHA** and its servers.
- Collaborated with the Production Instrumentation Department, ensuring compliance with health and safety rules in the daily operations at the gas plant, while working with various programmable logic controllers.