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Full Stack Software Engineer

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SUMMARY

Full stack engineer with 4+ years of professional experience delivering scalable web apps, AI-powered tools, and SaaS platforms. Proven ability to ship fast and own end-to-end systems, from backend APIs and authentication flows to responsive UIs and design systems. Built a production-ready RAG MVP solo in 3 weeks for a stealth startup, helping secure funding and pilot users. Recent work includes performance optimization (Core Web Vitals and SEO), multi-region CMS integrations, and AI agentic workflows. Skilled in Next.js, React, TypeScript, Node.js, Python, with hands-on experience across databases and infrastructure.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer

Aletha Health — Walnut Creek, CA | Jan 2025 – Present

- Solely led performance optimizations that, for the first time in company history, passed Core Web Vitals on both mobile and desktop, raising scores from 33 to 88 (mobile) and 70 to 100 (desktop).

- Boosted search visibility with a dynamic XML sitemap and region-aware hreflang tags. Audited crawl issues and tracked indexing with Google Search Console, Ahrefs, and GTM.

- Transitioned CMS platforms from WordPress ACF to Storyblok and Plasmic, integrating with Shopify's GraphQL API and Next.js to streamline regional content delivery.

- Designed a scalable UI system by mapping Figma Tokens (via Tokens Studio) into Tailwind CSS configuration, reducing UI drift and speeding up development.

- Set up GitHub-based CI/CD pipelines for dev, UAT, and production environments using AWS, ensuring consistent and reliable deployments.

Founder & Full Stack Engineer

FizzleDev — Concord, CA | Feb 2024 – Present

- FizzleDev is my freelance dev practice focused on improving and building performant web apps and tools for clients, using modern technologies and frameworks.

- Built a financial workflow tool for a nonprofit, automating donation and membership tracking.

- Delivered critical product features for stealth startup clients under aggressive timelines, including secure auth, RBAC, and CMS-driven pages, helping accelerate MVP launches and investor demos.

Founding Engineer

Stealth Startup — Remote | Dec 2024 – May 2025

- Sole engineer responsible for delivering a fully functional MVP in 3 weeks, enabling the founders to secure investor funding and pilot users (university partners).

- Built a Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) system using OpenAI, LangChain, and Supabase to help financial aid officers query complex policy PDF documents using natural language.

- Developed an AI agent with chain-of-thought reasoning to triage student emails, perform actions, and integrate with third-party systems like Banner (SIS) and PeopleSoft.

- Built the entire stack in Next.js (TypeScript, React, Node.js, Tailwind CSS) with Supabase Auth for SSO and RBAC, secured via Row-Level Security (RLS).

- Tuned prompts, refined chunking, and debugged hallucinations to improve answer grounding and reliability.

- Leveraged GitHub and Vercel for automated deployments, preview builds, and streamlined staging-to-production flow with Next.js.

Lead Full Stack Engineer

Dart Health — San Francisco, CA | Jan 2021 – Feb 2024

- Promoted from intern to lead engineer as the company evolved from CRM to fintech to healthcare compliance. The company, MarketFly, was acquired and rebranded to Puzzl, then to Dart Health.

- Built a HIPAA-aware chatbot using OpenAI Assistants API, reducing founder support workload by 40%.

- Integrated Stripe Connect for B2B and B2C payments, and implemented PDF invoicing with Merge API and Adobe PDF Services.

- Led development of a project portal and real-time messaging system combining Linear-style task flows with Slack-style chat (React, TypeScript, Tailwind CSS).

- Implemented full-stack testing with Jest and Cypress, saving 15–20 hours/week in manual QA.

- Built a social media automation system with scheduling for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, powered by Bannerbear and platform APIs.

- Translated Figma wireframes into modular, reusable React components, speeding up dev handoff by 20%.

EDUCATION

B.S. in Computer Science

San Francisco State University — Graduated May 2022

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: TypeScript, JavaScript (ES6+), Python, SQL, HTML (HTML5), CSS, Sass/SCSS, Java, C, C++, Swift, Ruby

Frontend: React, Next.js, Redux, Tailwind CSS, Bootstrap, Material UI, Shadcn, Radix UI, GSAP, Highcharts, Recharts

Backend: Express.js, Django, Flask, Node.js, WebSocket, REST APIs, GraphQL

AI / LLMs: OpenAI, LangChain, LangGraph, RAG Pipelines, Prompt Engineering, Agentic Workflows

Databases: PostgreSQL, Supabase, MySQL, MongoDB, Firebase (Firestore, Auth)

Cloud & DevOps: AWS, Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Docker, Kubernetes, Nginx, Vercel, GitHub Actions, CI/CD Pipelines

Testing & QA: Jest, Cypress, Test-Driven Development (TDD)

Developer Tools: Git, GitHub, NPM, Yarn, Webpack, Vite, VS Code, Cursor, Jira, Linear, Figma

Content & CMS Platforms: WordPress ACF, Storyblok, Plasmic

Architecture & Practices: Agile, Scrum, Single Page Application (SPA) Architecture, Design Tokens, Multi-Tenant SaaS

Optimization & Analytics: SEO, A/B Testing, Core Web Vitals, Performance Auditing, Google Tag Manager (GTM), Google Search Console, Ahrefs