Thomas Payne

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I am a curious software engineer with a rounded understanding in distributed system design within blockchain technologies. Seeking to learn and build with a passionate team to continue pioneering the decentralized financial landscape.

Skills and Tools

- Proficient: Kotlin, Java, C#, Spring Boot
- Familiar: Golang, Solidity, Javascript, Truffle
- Cloud: Google Cloud
- Docker, Kubernetes, Helm, Github Actions
- Event driven architecture: Kafka, gRPC
- Postgres, SQL, Redis, PineconeDb

- SDK and API development
- Prometheus, Grafana
- Web App Development: React, Node.js, Web3.js
- Full stack debugging in all environments
- TestContainers, Jupiter, Mockito
- Vocal, strong sense of ownership and accountability

Experience

Backend Software Engineer, Mythical Games, Los Angeles CA. 01/2022 - 07/2023

- Core contributor of SAGA, Mythical Games' EVM-compatible ERC20/ERC721 blockchain driven marketplace backend from inception to launch (third largest NFT blockchain by transaction volume)
- Maintain and improve SDKs and APIs that wrap blockchain smart contracts for use in NFL Rivals and Nitro Nation
- Design, deliver and scale self healing Kotlin and Golang microservices by implementing retries and idempotency in Kafka consumers
- Write a safe, iterative metadata sorting algorithm to improve search performance for Blankos Marketplace metadata
- Assist in designing a bridging solution to transfer NFTs from Mythos chain to Ethereum
- Extend and debug chain execution and listening logic in Golang services that facilitate token mints, burns and transfers using OpenZeppelin, Truffle and Web3.js
- Scrape Prometheus metrics and generate Grafana dashboards to ensure quick identification of bugs during monitoring
- Dockerize services for kubernetes, configure helm and github actions to ensure smooth deployments

Software Engineer, Northrop Grumman, San Diego CA. 09/2019 – 12/2021

- Full-Stack agile development of data driven web app within JP2008 program (C# .NET, Postgres, React)
- Lead developer and application owner for sat com system within JSF subdivision, ranked top performer
- Created and edited development documents, analyzed and scoped requirements
- Implement unit testing to satisfy 100% code coverage requirements

Software Development Intern, ANSYS, Boulder CO. 05/2019 - 08/2019

- Expand python scripting API to enable users to script and record their geometric model designs for 3D modeling engine SpaceClaim (C# .NET, WPF)
- Optimize metadata storage by implementing serialization during shut down and start up procedures

Front End Developer, Integrated Teaching and Learning Lab, Boulder CO. 01/2018 – 01/2019

Lead designer and developer of CU Boulder's Integrated Teaching and Learning Lab website

Software Development Intern, Circadence Corporation, Boulder CO. 05/2018 – 08/2018

• Extend API to trigger exploitation functionality for cyber simulation application Project Ares (Django, Python and Flask)

Education

BS Creative Technology and Design, Computer Science. University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder CO. 2019

Certifications, Research, Hobbies

- Udemy Certification: Design Microservices Architecture with Patterns & Principles
- Udemy Certification: Kubernetes and Docker, The Container Masterclass
- Udemy Certification: Ethereum and Solidity, The Complete Developers Guide
- AiApp development: SpringBoot microservice AI application using OpenA and vector database technologies
- DApp development: Write a variety of small apps to familiarize myself with blockchain related tools and processes
- Research: Mobile and Networked Systems Laboratory, Boulder CO. 01/2019 08/2019
- Publication: Painometry, Wearable and Objective Quantification System for Acute Postoperative Pain Published ACM MobiSys 202 H. Truong, et al. (Accepted on 03/07/2020)