title: Other jobs I can do while searching for software dev positions

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Post Text

Hi I want to know what I can do while currently working as a cleaner at a hospital. I'm 25, 3 years out of undergrad, but I haven't found a software dev job. I revised my resume countless numbers of times, I would get to the interview, and then I would completely fumble the technical interview part. I always struggled a lot with inattention and schoolwork, and although I passed my classes it would be with a c average. I had no internships during school as well. I got diagnosed during the pandemic as adhd inattentive, and I'm medicated currently. I also attend therapy sessions to deal with the depression and burnout I am currently going through. I'm much better and I'm happy I made the choice to do therapy and be medicated. But I feel so lost at the depth of material I have to learn. I work very slowly and I just feel very stupid. I'm just really stressed out about upcoming loans and my health insurance that's about to run out. I want to ask suggestions on what I can do in the next 2-3 months to better my living circumstances? Any jobs? Anything like internships.

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Possibly even taking free online courses or low cost ones that focus on particular languages. Great if you build something during the course. I would suggest fleshing out your linked in and tie in examples of your work.

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You could also try working on side projects to make up for the lack of experience. Possibly, try contributing to open source projects.

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For me, being part of a study group helped me immensely. Also, are you struggling with Leetcode type of questions?

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I would say yes. I took an algorithms class this summer which helped me immensely, but I'm realizing how slow I am with understanding algorithmic efficiency which a lot of Leetcode styled questions are emphasized on.

I think that I will go back to retake the class while practicing Leetcode questions.

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I wanted to say thank you to everyone who gave me advice and I really do appreciate them.