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About Me

Professional Summary

Software Engineer with 5 years of experience in backend development, API integration, and full-stack development. Proficient in programming languages including Python, Java, JavaScript, and C++. Experienced in developing scalable applications using cloud technologies like GCP and building machine learning models with TensorFlow. Skilled in Agile leadership and collaboration, driving impactful solutions and fostering continuous improvement.

SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

Programming Languages & Frameworks: Python, Java, C++, C, JavaScript, SQL, TypeScript, Django, Flask, ReactJS, NextJs, TensorFlow, Node.js, MATLAB, HTML/CSS

Technical Skills: Web Development, Problem Solving, Git, API Development, RESTful APIs, End-to-End Testing, Pytest, Jest, Docker, Machine Learning, Data Visualization, Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, Google Cloud Platform, Vercel, SVN, Postman, Jira, Swagger, CI/CD, Sentry Confluence, Notion, Linux, Windows

Professional Experience

Backend Software Engineer

May 2024 - Sep. 2024

Pronti AI

Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

- Developed REST API endpoints using Flask, GCP, PostgreSQL, and MongoDB, boosting user engagement by 10%.
- Collaborated with frontend engineers enhancing Flask backend by resolving critical issues, boosting system performance and reliability by over 30%.
- Optimized a Multi-Layered Comparison Network (MCN) with ResNet-50 for personalized outfit generation, streamlining model outputs directly to the mobile app.
- Containerized the entire backend infrastrucutre with **Docker** and deployed on **GCP Cloud Run**, improving scalability and deployment efficiency.
- Developed End-to-End testing with PyTest, optimized CI/CD pipelines via Google Cloud Build and GitHub Actions, and documented APIs with Swagger, improving reliability and maintainability.

Digital Automation Engineer

May 2021 - Sep. 2022

The Six Semiconductor Inc.

Markham, Ontario, Canada

- Streamlined development with **Python-based** automation checkers in CMake and advanced **SVN** strategies, automating deployments with Bash and Perl, reducing error detection time by 40%.
- Enhanced data processing workflows by developing Python scripts with the **Pandas** library for automated data scraping, parsing, and correction, integrated with HTML views for data visualization.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to define requirements, deliver tasks on time, and mentor interns, ensuring project success and effective knowledge transfer.

PROJECTS

Restaurant Online Ordering System: Major Contributor

Jan. 2025 - Present

- Built a full-stack web application for a Chinese food delivery service with real-time order tracking, menu browsing, secure checkout, and admin tools for analytics.
- Developed API routes in Next.js with PostgreSQL for data handling and seamlessly integrated NextAuth for authentication.
- Implemented a responsive frontend using **ReactJS** and **Next.js**, ensuring compatibility across desktop and mobile.
- Deployed the application on Vercel, fully utilizing its serverless architecture for enhanced scalability and robust reliability.

AI-powered E-Commerce Web App: Team Leader

Jan. 2024 - Apr. 2024

- Designed and implemented an E-Commerce platform using **Django**, **React** with **Redux**, **Figma**, and **Tailwind CSS**, incorporating personalized recommendations with user-based and item-based collaborative filtering.
- Implemented secure user authentication with OAuth 2.0 and JWT, and engineered end-to-end automated testing using Pytest and Jest, achieving 85% code coverage.
- · Led Agile workflows, including sprint planning, team code reviews, and scrum meetings, ensuring timely delivery and maintaining high code quality standards.

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

Sep. 2023 - Sep. 2024

Master of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Specialized in Software Engineering, GPA:83.88% Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

McMaster University

Sep. 2018 - Apr. 2023

Bachelor of Electrical and Computer Engineering (Co-op), GPA:10.5/12, Dean's Honor List

Hamilton, Ontario, Canada