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#### EXPERIENCE

#### Lyft, Software Engineer; Seattle, WA

March 2018 - Present

- Working on a small and diverse team developing alternative (to cars) transportation options and multimodal journey planning within Lyft
- Shipped transit journey planning, appearing alongside car options in several large metro areas

  Python
- $\diamond$  Designed, developed, and shipped a feature allowing users to perform geospatial search and access realtime nearby transit information. This feature has been highlighted in Wired and Bloomberg. Python
- ♦ One of three engineers developing a novel routing engine which can compute multimodal journeys in transit dense regions in <50ms. I am personally responsible for developing components to manage transportation network data structures and realtime updates with concurrent access. Our work has resulted in a pending patent. Go

#### Teachers Pay Teachers, Software Engineer; New York, NY

Sep 2016 – Feb 2018

- ♦ Marketplace for teachers to buy and sell teaching materials
- ♦ Backend system component development

Elixir/Phoenix

- o Architected and developed a distributed asynchronous task processor backed by Redis
- $\circ$  Redesigned feature toggle updates, decreasing update time from  $\sim 10$ mins to < 30secs
- Created a continuous integration and deployment pipeline for containers deployed to Kubernetes
- ♦ Wrote an internal web application to centralize the deployment process for all applications

Elixir

♦ Automated infrastructure management

Chef, Terraform

#### Venmo, Software Engineer; New York, NY

 $\mathbf{May}\ \mathbf{2015} - \mathbf{Aug}\ \mathbf{2016}$ 

- ♦ Worked on the Platform team developing a backend serving millions of users
- Python/Django
- $\circ \ \ \text{Improved system reliability and scalability by optimizing MySQL, Mongo, and Cassandra \ database \ access$
- ♦ Improved the state of developer tooling and increased development velocity

Python, Packer, Bash

- o Owned upkeep and release of development virtual machine
- Eliminated most test state issues by replacing legacy static test fixtures with dynamic data creation
- ♦ Improved monitoring/logging/alerting systems and managed infrastructure

Puppet

♦ Developed a deep fondness for emojis

#### Recurse Center, Recurser; New York, NY

Jan 2015 - Mar 2015

♦ A self described "retreat for programmers" (recurse.com) where I talked about, read about, and programmed computers. Also played a lot of chess.

## University of Vermont Medical Center, Research Assistant; Burlington, VT May 2013 – Dec 2014

 $\diamond$  Studied genetic regulation of sporulation in the bacterium Clostridium difficile

#### **EDUCATION**

# B.Sc. Microbiology, University of Vermont; Burlington, VT

2013

# PUBLICATIONS

**Pishdadian, K.**, Fimlaid, K.A., & Shen, A., (2015) SpoIIID-mediated regulation of  $\sigma^{K}$  function during *Clostridium difficile* sporulation. *Molecular Microbiology*, 95:189–208.

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