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who am i?

Software engineer. Web and mobile, up and down the stack, comfortable and savvy in both internal and external-facing roles. Blockchain applications specialist - hyperledger, bitcoin, ethereum. Wrote code for the first international blockchain transaction (Wells Fargo/CBA/Brighann Cotton). One of the original 13 peers in the first public Hyperledger network - IBM marbles. Loves travel, national parks, literature, and writing Markdown.

SKILLED IN: JavaScript, Node.js, Blockchain, React.js, React Native, Redux, Backbone, Express.js, Gulp, Webpack, Browserify, Bootstrap, REST APIs, HTML5, SASS, CSS3, Docker, Docker Compose, PostgreSQL, AWS, Ruby, Rails, jQuery, D3.js, three.js, SQL, RSpec, Data Visualization, Web Scraping, Git, Agile Workflow, Public Speaking

FAMILIAR WITH: Python, R, MATLAB, C++, Java, PHP, Sinatra, Excel, InDesign, Data Science, Heroku, Machine Learning

what do i do?

Skuchain, Lead Application Engineer, Mountain View, CA

Jan 2016 - Current

- Developing a suite of web applications and services built to adapt to each platform and customer's specific practices and use cases, as well as extant and emerging blockchain technologies
- Interfacing with prospective users to discover details of existing processes and possible new use cases, then implementing them in code
- Designing and researching business processes to make sure that Skuchain's system not only integrates seamlessly with both current and novel workflows, but delivers a top-quality level of user experience that aligns with the needs and preferences of the end-user

Mach 2 Consulting, Content Writer, Larkspur, CA

Nov 2014 - Jun 2015

- Worked with founder and CEO in writing series of articles for website and SEO in the management consulting industry
- Posts provide guidance in business management and reinforce Mach 2's consulting strategy for accelerating experience
- Wrote articles and developed talking points for a number of topics: Feedback, Brief/Debrief, "The Culture of Apprenticeship"

LA Moneythink, Vice President, Los Angeles, CA

Sep 2012 - Jun 2014

- Organization seeking to improve financial literacy and college opportunities
- Taught finance classes at local underserved high schools in South Central Los Angeles
- 2013 National Video Contest Winner and National Conference UCLA Representative

Marcus & Millichap Real Estate Investment Services, Sales Intern, San Francisco, CA

Jun 2011 - Jul 2012

- Research market to produce lists of potential investible properties based on principals' investment criteria
- For ongoing deals, developed marketing materials, from marketing packages and offering memoranda to postcards and other mailers
- Assisted with due diligence processes and created database of Bay Area RE professionals

whom do i help?

Apprenta, Mentor

Nov 2016 - Current

- Building a programming bootcamp for those who can't afford programming bootcamps; teaching underrepresented groups in tech full-stack web development
- Defining our program's goals, target students, and cultivating curriculum based on discussions with founders and apprentices
- Leading the recruiting pipeline - putting our name out there online and handling first contact and initial interviews with potential apprentices in need

any fun side projects?

The Hufts | Application Engineer | Launched December 2015

- Architected and developed microservices-based platform for algorithmic stock trading
- Implemented Node/Express based API interacting with application front end, Yahoo Finance, MongoDB, and Parse
- Developed data models for daily closing data, intraday data, and investment metric calculations
- Integrated native C++ functionality and multilanguage support into backtesting application

PitchIt | Project Lead | Launched October 2015

- Pitched idea and served as lead for a team of four, guiding workflow, design, architecture, implementation, and deployment
- Created architecture for decoupled application with Rails REST API backend and Rails web frontend and React Native mobile frontend
- Designed and developed dynamic web components with React.js, information scraped with Kimono APIs, and graphic layouts with Skeleton.css

SF Rents: A Visual Report | Creator | Launched October 2015

- Built detailed 3D extrusion graph of San Francisco delineated by zip code using D3.js, Three.js, jQuery, and TopoJSON
- Gathered, parsed, and analyzed public datasets to collect rent metrics on San Francisco zip codes from 2011-2015 and express data visually
- Wrote application with modular design extendible to different regions, timeframes, and metrics

TeamUp | Creator | Launched September 2015

- Built lightweight Sinatra application using jQuery for dynamic web elements and Kimono APIs for information aggregation from outside sources
- Implemented sports news aggregator for a user's favorite teams, choosing sources, developing models, and designing dashboard

how about education?

University of California, Los Angeles

B.S., Applied Math with Specialization in Computing 2015