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## Experience

### Lead Product Engineer

The Duckbill Group  
2020-2021

As the primary product owner and engineer on DuckTools, a suite of AWS cost management tools, I wrote everything from **Terraform** to **React**, with **Ruby** and **Go** in between.

### Software Engineer

Brex  
2019-2020

On the Card Product team at this fintech startup, I built user-facing features and accounting integrations across the **Typescript React** frontend and **Elixir** microservice backend.

### Senior Software Engineer / Lead Backend Engineer

Joyable  
2014-2019

As a full stack developer using **Angular.js** (later **React**) and **Ruby on Rails**, I helped this mental health startup grow from 5 to 40 people. I built many user-facing features, improved frontend performance, built payment + subscription systems, wrote internal tools, built most of the API, drove the transition to an **SPA**, managed/developed the **Docker**-based infrastructure, and hired/mentored other engineers.

### Software Developer

Threadflip  
2013-2014

I did full stack development with **Rails**, **Coffeescript**, and **Backbone** at this two-sided ecommerce marketplace. I worked on user-facing features, internal tools, refactoring, and optimization.

### Software Engineer

Expensify  
2011-2013

I was an early developer at this SaaS expense reporting startup working on both the **PHP** backend (bank apis, a Mechanical Turk> system, receipt parsing) and the **JS** frontend.

## Projects

### Scarr

[github.com/kkuchta/scarr](https://github.com/kkuchta/scarr)

A **Golang** tool to quickly register + spin up new sites with **S3**, **Cloudfront**, **ACM**, and **Route53** on **AWS**.

### CSS-Only Chat

[github.com/kkuchta/css-only-chat](https://github.com/kkuchta/css-only-chat)

An asynchronous, web-based chat with no JS at all (by abusing the http protocol + css). Built to probe the limits of webapps.

### kmk.party

[github.com/kkuchta/url\\_shortener](https://github.com/kkuchta/url_shortener)

A humorous, but functional, url shortener using **AWS Lambda** and no datastore in **Python**.

### Other Projects

A bot that generates fake AWS announcements. An infinite-scrolling wall of random imgur images in **Angular**. A tiny **Javascript** physics engine. A mobile-friendly **React** site for browsing filtered travel destinations. A **Ruby** twitterbot that completes Hamilton lyrics.

## Education

BS in Software Engineering, 2011  
Rochester Institute of Technology

## Speaking

[Ruby is the Best Javascript](#) | RubyConf2018  
[Source Diving](#) | RubyConf2019

## Other Interests

Homebrewing, Photography,  
Travel, Comic Drawing