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Software Engineer



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About

Software Engineer with experience delivering high-impact initiatives at global companies. Thriving in environments that require technical creativity and multidisciplinary collaboration to solve complex problems. Passionate about learning; everything from compiler design to sailing.

Experience

GitHub

February 2022 - Present

Senior Product Security Engineer

[github.com](#)

Technical lead within the Product Security Engineering team, specializing in architecting secure "paved paths" across the SDL to scale systemic protections while enhancing developer experience.

[Ruby](#) [Rails](#) [React](#) [Copilot](#) [Actions](#) [Kubernetes](#) [CodeQL](#) [Kusto](#)

Shopify

January 2017 - August 2022

Senior Developer (2021 - 2022)

[shopify.com](#)

Developer (2018 - 2021)

Developer Intern (2017)

Core contributor to Shopify's App Systems and Theme Store, focused on enabling platform growth while maintaining merchant security and trust.

[Ruby](#) [Rails](#) [React](#) [GraphQL](#) [MySQL](#) [Elasticsearch](#)

Community

RubyKaigi

April 2025

Featured Speaker - RubyKaigi 2025 (Matsuyama, Japan)

[rubykaigi.org](#)

Co-authored and presented "Keeping Secrets: Lessons Learned From Securing GitHub" alongside security researcher Wei Lin Ngo.

Hack the 6ix

August 2017 - December 2019

Director of Engineering

[hackthe6ix.com](#)

Led the engineering team for Toronto's largest hackathon, growing the team and building out custom event management tooling, supporting 1000+ hackers.

Education

University of Ontario Institute of Technology

2013 - 2018

B.Sc. in Computer Science

Interests

Outdoors

- Sailing
- Backwoods camping
- Mountain biking

Creative

- Music production
- 3D modelling
- CNC / Digital manufacturing