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EDUCATION

University of Birmingham | MSci Computer Science - 3rd Year

September 2022 - June 2026

- Currently studying: Intelligent Data Analysis, Algorithms & Complexity, Dependable & Distributed Systems, Neural Computation, Natural Language Processing and Machine Learning.
- Second Year (Achieved): 67.8% including Team Project (82%) and Artificial Intelligence (85%)

Cadbury Sixth Form College | A-levels (Achieved)

September 2020 – July 2022

• Mathematics (A), Further Mathematics (A), Physics (A), Computer Science (B), EPQ (A).

Wheelers Lane Technology College | GCSEs (Achieved)

September 2015 - July 2020

• 9 GCSEs, grades 9-6.

EXPERIENCE

Goldman Sachs Spring Insight

Birmingham, United Kingdom, April 2023

- Participated in a programme focused on the role of technology in financial services, gaining insights into the role of software and technology in global finance.
- Shadowed experienced Goldman Sachs engineers, gaining exposure to the development and maintenance of critical financial systems and scalable infrastructure solutions.
- Collaborated in a small team to solve a variety of technical problems, strengthening teamwork and analytical skills in a dynamic environment.

PROJECTS

RecipeRadar | Personal Project

ReactJS | Spring Boot | PostgreSQL

- Developed a full-stack recipe sharing web-app allowing users to search, post and manage recipes.
- Built a REST API using Spring Boot, implementing **asynchronous** API calls that reduced load times by **25%**, resulting in smoother user interactions and improved platform performance.
- Optimised homepage performance, reducing load times by 30% through the use of paginated data fetching and efficient database querying.
- Designed and implemented a **fully responsive** user interface featuring recipe cards, search functionality and personalised user profiles, enhancing user engagement and retention.
- Created secure login and registration, using **JWT-based authentication**, improving data security.

CineWatch | Personal Project

ReactJS | Flask

- Developed a movie recommendation web-app that provides suggestions based on selected movie.
- Integrated the TMDB API to fetch real-time movie data, including posters, descriptions, and ratings.
- Designed and implemented a **fully-responsive** user interface providing users with an intuitive interface to browse and search for movie recommendations.
- Built a Flask backend to handle recommendation logic and API requests securely and efficiently.

RideShare | Team Project

Angular | Spring Boot | PostgreSQL

- Developed a full-stack ride sharing web-app allowing university students to post, manage and search ridesharing journeys based on routes and schedules.
- Designed a cost-sharing system to split fuel costs, without additional fees, **reducing transportation costs** for riders up to **50%** on average compared to other methods of transportation.
- **Real-time Messaging:** Implemented a full-stack feature for **real-time** communication between drivers and riders, improving coordination and user experience.
- Containerised with **Docker** and **GitLab CI/CD** pipelines for automated testing and deployment.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, SQL, HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Haskell, C

Developer Tools: Git, Postman, Docker

Libraries / Frameworks: ReactJS, Angular, Spring Boot, PostgreSQL, Flask, JWT