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Profile

I'm a software engineer who's excited about great UX and clean code. I enjoy a culture of helping people, sharing knowledge and delivering valuable and maintainable products. Most of my experience is in the FE with React, but I happily take on any technical challenge.

Experience

`May 2023 - Present` **[BrightSign](#), Software Engineer**

Improving the reliability and usability of BrightAuthor:connected, a 2M LOC React app for managing BrightSign players and presentations. Working with TS in React, the app is released for web and desktop (via Electron). Lead the effort for introducing observability and dynamic feature flags.

`Jan 2023 - Apr 2023` **[Dojo](#), Software Engineer**

Made the Dojo [RMS](#) (restaurant management system) simpler and more powerful, mainly using React/GraphQL. Most proud about consolidating 3 core pages into a unified experience, with improved UI and features. This is expected to add significant value to the app, while removing large amounts of legacy code.

`Aug 2022 - Jan 2023` **[Ziglu](#), Staff Engineer**

Faced with the challenge of an overcomplicated ReactNative app, proposed and lead the initiative to introduce a shim service. Integrated it with the event-driven BE architecture and introduced GraphQL to push updates to the app. Unfortunately the Robinhood aquisition was cancelled, and most employees were made redundant.

`May 2016 - Jul 2022` **[eBay](#), Member of Technical Staff**

Built fantastic eBay experiences! Worked with Java/Kotlin in Spring(MVC | Boot)/Android, Swift in iOS and JS/TS in React/[Marko](#). Most proud of architecting the eBay [shipping web app](#) (in TS/React/Redux/Reselect) and the native shipping experience service (in Kotlin/SpringBoot). Created and released multiple internal tools, mentored and managed junior developers. Worked closely with POs and designers to ensure that we built the right features the right way.

`Apr 2017 - Dec 2018` **[CodeYourFuture](#), Mentor**

Volunteered to enable refugees to change their future through web development training and career coaching. Taught part of the curriculum, helped with 1:1 coding sessions and guided many through their successful interview journey.

`Oct 2012 - May 2016` **[Fivium](#), Application Developer**

Developed and maintained complex workflow-based systems for the UK government. Heavily used Oracle SQL, PL/SQL (for all the business logic) and XML (see [FOXopen framework](#)). Designed and built a report generation web application, which collected production data from multiple DBs, combined them, applied statistical calculations and allowed for generating PDF reports (using Jasper templates). This replaced 25% of my team's workload with a button click.

Education

`2005 - 2010` **University of Patras, Computer Engineering and Informatics**

This is a 5 year diploma in Computer Science, Hardware Engineering and Software Engineering. Completed most of the subjects (~85%), left **before graduating**.

`2000 - 2005` **University of Piraeus, BSc in Industrial Management**

This is focused on Economics, Management and Production Technology. It gave me the fundamentals for managing a production facility.

Interests

Mainly spending time with my amazing cat. A bit of whittling, archery, tinkering with computers. And more recently, drone photography.