# Nikko Kowalow

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### **EXPERIENCE**

Cube Exchange Chicago, IL

Backend Software Engineer Intern

May 2024 - August 2024

- Built backend systems for a high-performance trading platform utilizing Rust and postgreSQL
- Developed atomic, all-or-none order matching/filling algorithm, allowing for seamless execution across multiple assets and markets.
- Implemented an automatic portfolio rebalancing feature, ensuring alignment with target allocations and enhancing the stability of users investment portfolios
- Engineered solutions to aggregate and display historical price data across multiple assets, providing users with comprehensive market insights
- Designed secure API endpoints for price retrieval and management, as well as an admin dashboard

NATION Chicago, IL

Full-Stack Software Engineer Intern

June 2023 - August 2024

- Led iOS frontend development with React Native and collaborated on building the web platform using React
- Implemented the least significant bit steganography technique to mitigate media leaks
- Created admin dashboard to handle KYC, investment/bank info verifications, and push notifications
- Added a fully functional comment section designed to support community engagement and interaction
- Developed proficiency in Git, handling pull requests, merges, and reviewing teammates contributions
- Actively participated in daily standup meetings, ensuring alignment and collaboration with my team

### **PROJECTS & HACKATHONS**

### Solana Season Hackathon 2021 (3rd place out of 13,000 participants)

June 2021

• Used Rust and React to develop a decentralized ticketing and event hosting platform to minimize inflated secondary market prices, eliminate fraudulent tickets, and reduce processing fees.

## SkinID: Congressional App Challenge (1st Place in Illinois)

June 2020

• Developed a skin cancer pre-diagnosis suite using React, Python, MySQL. Trained a machine learning model to detect benign and malignant skin cancers through images at an 83% successful diagnosis rate.

### **SKILLS**

**Languages:** Rust, TypeScript, C, C++, C#, Python, postgreSQL, Java, Solidity, Swift, Ruby **Technologies & Frameworks:** React & React Native, Git, Figma, Node.js, AWS, Linux (Ubuntu), Flask, Ruby on Rails, Svelte, Vercel, Agile, Expo Go

### **EDUCATION**

#### The Ohio State University

Columbus, OH

B.S. Computer Science (Specialization in Computer Networking)

Aug 2021 - May 2025

- **GPA**: 3.234
- **SAT:** 1470 (800 Math, 670 Reading/Writing)
- Clubs & Activities: Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity, OHI/O Hackathon Group