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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin

August 2020 – May 2024

- Bachelor of Science, Computer Science (GPA: 3.6/4)
- Completed Coursework: Data Structures, Computer Architecture, Operating Systems, Algorithms, NLP, Network Security, Quantum Computing, Graphics, Symbolic Programming

EXPERIENCE

Pavilion - Software Engineer Intern, Backend

May - August 2023

- Created a tool to automatically extract offerings from government contracts to increase coverage from 7% to 44% using **OpenAI**, **Numba**, **Retool**, and semantically indexed contracts using **Pinecone**
- Helped develop an automatic tool to deduplicate over 200,000 companies using Locality Sensitive Hashing with MinHash to identify similar companies by name
- Implemented various endpoints, views, and admin tools in **Django** and **Postgres**

The Washington Post - Software Engineer Intern, Backend

May 2022 - May 2023

- Created and conceptualized **Keyword**, the Post's first original word game, now played by 65,000 daily unique users and 167,000 weekly unique users
- Built a modularized recipe system to store, index, and develop recipes used by the Food column with **Flask** and **MongoDB**
- Integrated recipe system with **Algolia**, **Datadog**, and **Kafka** and implemented CI/CD with **Jenkins** and **EC2** Instances

PROJECTS

36 Hour Fitness

September 2020

- Created a web-based personal fitness trainer that gives real-time automated feedback on exercise form using Dynamic Time Warping to compare a user to instructors and score them
- Built for HackMIT 2020, **Grand Prize Winner** and **Data Visualization Challenge Winner**

Total Music

August 2020 - Present

- Built an interactive web app (extension) for Twitch.tv to allow streamers to broadcast self-selected music to their audience.
- Developed using **Express.js**, hosted on **AWS Elastic Beanstalk/EC2** with **SQLite** for database management and **GraphQL** for Twitch API interaction.

ORGANIZATIONS

Texas Undergraduate Computational Finance - Director

- Student-run organization focused on analyzing quantitative perspectives to evaluate potential investment opportunities in various market areas such as derivatives, credit, bonds and more

Longhorn Gaming - Esports Director

- Managed 14 competitive esports teams to national success in collegiate leagues
- Organized monthly tournaments for multiple games with 40+ person turnout and community gaming events with 1000+ person turnout alongside sponsors and panelists

AWARDS

HackMIT 2020: Grand Prize Winner & Data Visualization Challenge Winner