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Language & Tooling Proficiencies

Languages

- JavaScript/TypeScript
- HTML + CSS
- C/C++
- Python
- OCaml
- Swift
- Java

Tooling & Frameworks

- React & React Native
- Flask & Django
- TKinter & Pyinstaller
- Tesseract
- PortAudio
- SwiftUI
- Terraform
- Docker
- AWS (S3, CloudFront)
- Redis
- PostgreSQL
- Google Cloud Platform
- Heroku
- Fabric.JS
- Node.jS
- Socket.io

About

I am an independent contractor from the SF Bay Area. As a developer, I am thorough in **problem-solving**, delivering reputable, well-documented, and secure solutions for my clients. As a consultant, I evaluate **cost-benefit analyses** for environment-specific challenges, providing high-quality advice to create **maintainable** and **successful products**.

Recent Experience

Private Client

Role: Software Developer, Consultant

- Designed and developed multiple Python applications with both Tkinter GUI and CLI to automate OCR and image processing using Tesseract and PIL.
- Built functionality to process image directories, extract text, generate sub-images, and create detailed **CSV reports** with bounding boxes and dictionary comparison results.
- Implemented a **page generator** to compile sub-images into ransom-note style pages with customizable settings for layout, padding, and word indexing.
- Packaged the application into a standalone executable for Windows using Pylnstaller, enabling easy distribution and cross-platform compatibility.
- Developed a user-friendly settings interface for configuring parameters for Tesseract,
 CSV delimiters, and sub-image dimensions, supporting flexible user workflows.

Tape Sim (Studio Carquinez)

Role: Software Developer, Audio Engineer

- Developed Tape Sim, a desktop application for macOS designed to simulate the
 experience of using a traditional tape machine for recording and playback of audio
 tracks.
- Implemented core audio processing logic using **C** and the **PortAudio** library to record and play audio at 48kHz, 24-bit mono quality.
- Designed the user interface using SwiftUI for macOS (Intel x86_64 architecture), providing intuitive controls for recording, rewinding, fast-forwarding, and stereo bounce features.
- Enabled multi-track audio recording with support for as many tracks as there are inputs in the user's default audio device, saving each recording as .wav files to a specified directory.

Peakery (Scaling Startups)

Role: Web Developer, Project Manager, Consultant | Peakery via Scaling Startups

- Managed development tasks and led significant performance optimizations across
 the platform, reducing response times and improving stability for both web and mobile
 applications.
- Improved database efficiency by cleaning up unused resources and optimizing load bearing queries, reducing times by up to 3x on high traffic pages.
- Addressed server stability by mitigating vulnerabilities, fixing memory leaks, and handling a brute-force attack on the database.

 Evaluated infrastructure options for possible migration from Heroku to AWS using Terraform to lower operational costs and set up a stable local development environment using Docker.

Audiopile (Audiopile)

Role: Mobile and Web Developer, Infrastructure | Audiopile

- Developed UI elements and API calls for React and React Native components.
- Built **CRUD endpoints** in a **Python** web service to enhance functionality.
- Modified Google Cloud infrastructure using Terraform, migrating the entire stack from HTTP to HTTPS, automating DNS management with Cloudflare, and enabling full SSL encryption from Cloudflare to GCP. Limited inbound IPs to Cloudflare outbound IPs and successfully rolled out these changes with minimal downtime, significantly improving performance, security, and scalability.

Far Reach Co. (Far Reach Co.)

Role: Web Developer, Co-Founder

- Developed an online, **real-time virtual tabletop** for role-playing games.
- Designed and implemented custom JavaScript SPA frameworks for various client-side applications.
- Created CRUD and websocket services using Node.js with TypeScript and Socket.io.
- Built database models and services with PostgreSQL and caching with Redis.
- Integrated AWS S3 and CloudFront for image asset storage and retrieval.

PolkaDot Sky Software (PolkaDot Sky Software)

Role: Web and Mobile Developer | PolkaDot Sky Software

- Automated iOS/Android deployment systems.
- Designed and implemented UI elements and API calls for React Native components.
- Processed sensitive PHI user data for COVID testing in an Elixir web service.
- Developed offline-mode capabilities in a React Native application for a network-dependent system.
- Integrated **geolocation** functionality to manage physical assets containing **NFC** chips.