User Interface Development with React.js

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Organization and Opportunity

Digital Skills for All

"Our mission is to break down cultural and systemic social barriers that prevent youth and young adults of all ethnicities, genders, and abilities from exploring computer science as a potential career and field of study. We work to create career pathways for youth to engage with and thrive in the field of technology."

\- DigitalSkillsforAll.org

The Team

- UX/UI

- Front-end
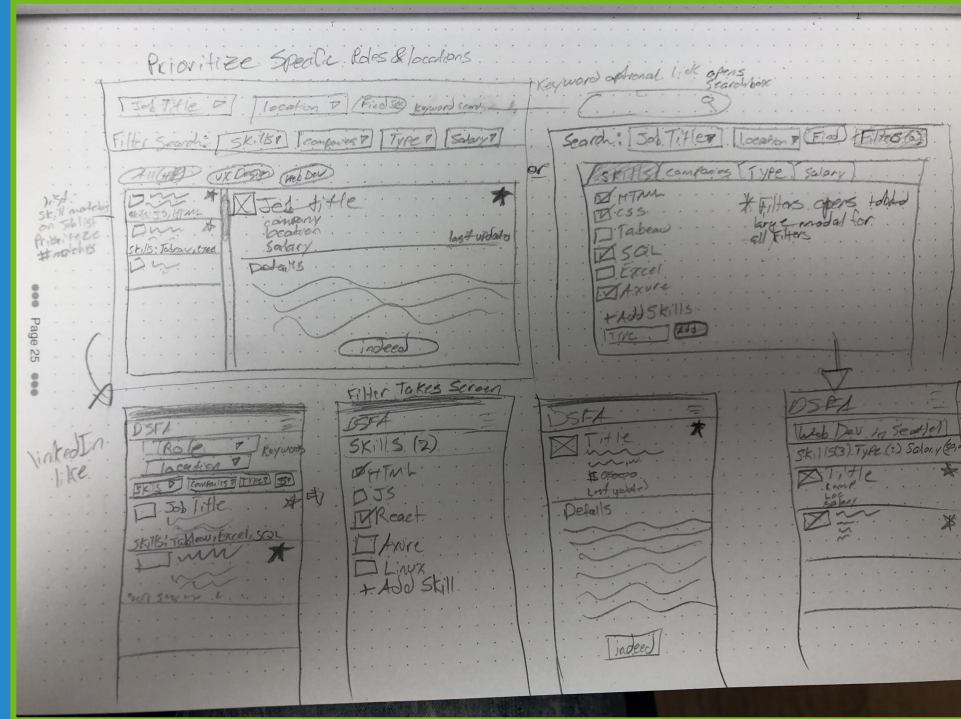
- Back-end

- Data Science

The Project

- Connect aspiring entry-level technology professionals to job opportunities

- Give users tools to research and explore career paths

- Provide only entry-level & internship opportunities

- Use Indeed.com to source job listings

- Design the platform top be accessible and simple to use

Design & Development
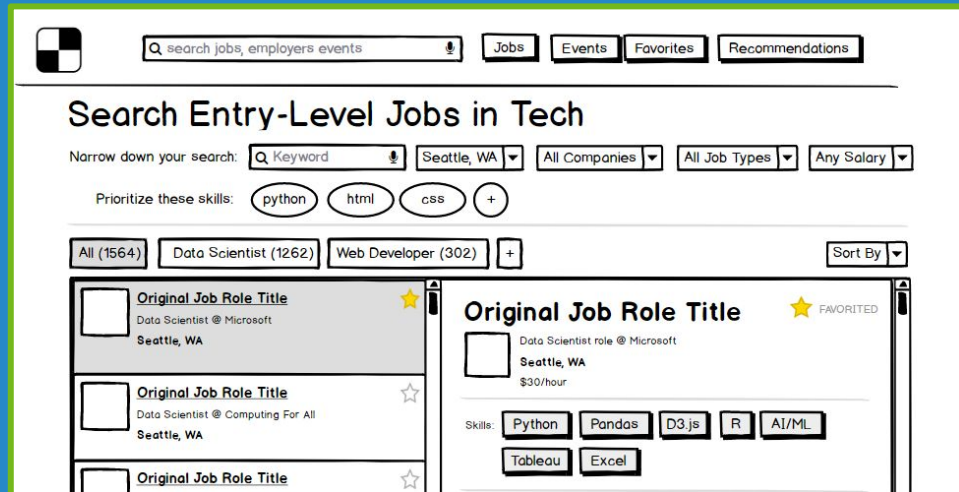
UX/UI Design

Sketching

- Low Fidelity
- Rapid Development
- Feature Ideas
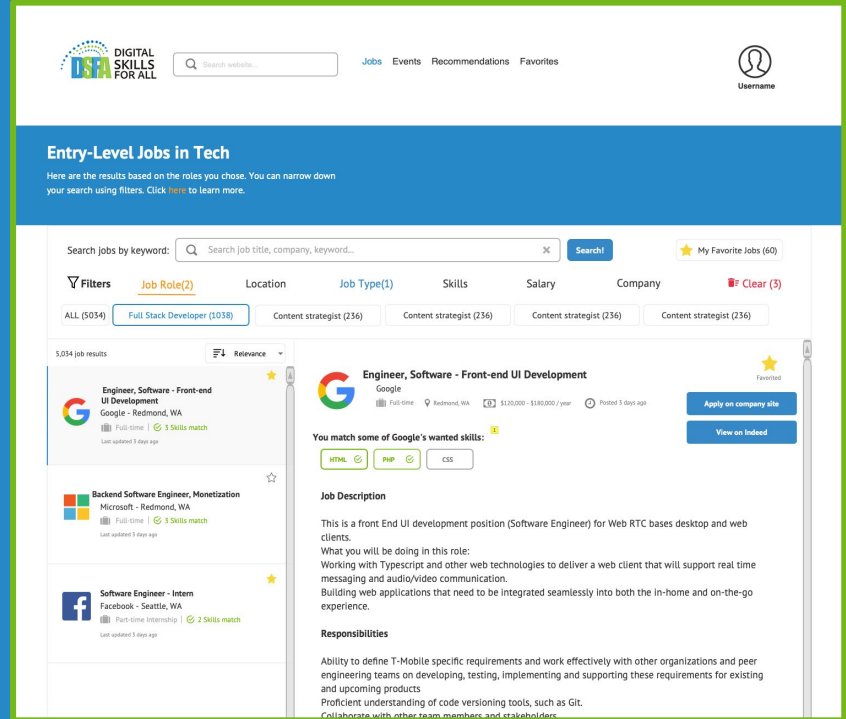- General Placement

UX/UI Design

Wireframing

- Low Fidelity
- Feature consolidation
- Informational Hierarchy
- User Experience
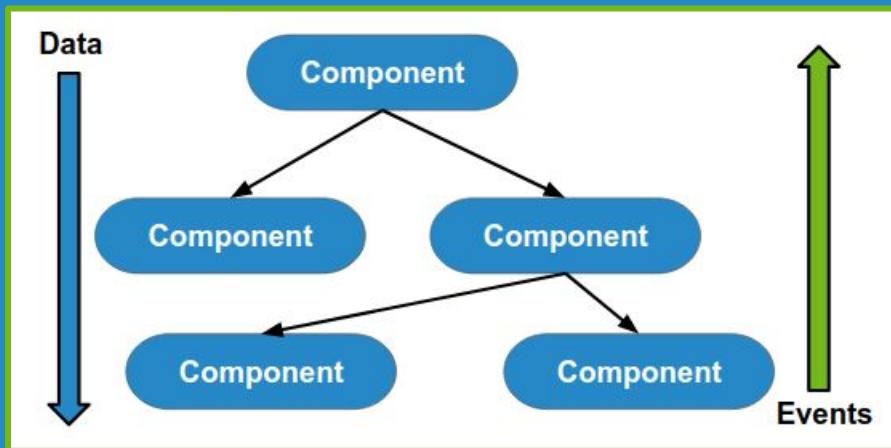
UX/UI Design

Mock-ups

- High Fidelity
- Color & shapes
- Final placement
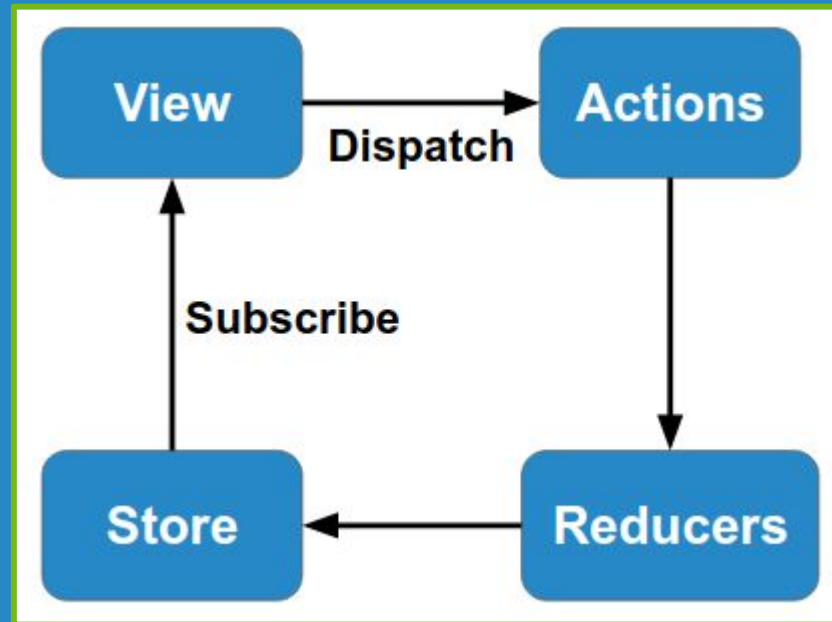- Ready for Development

Technical Development

React.js

- Component based UI

- App "state"

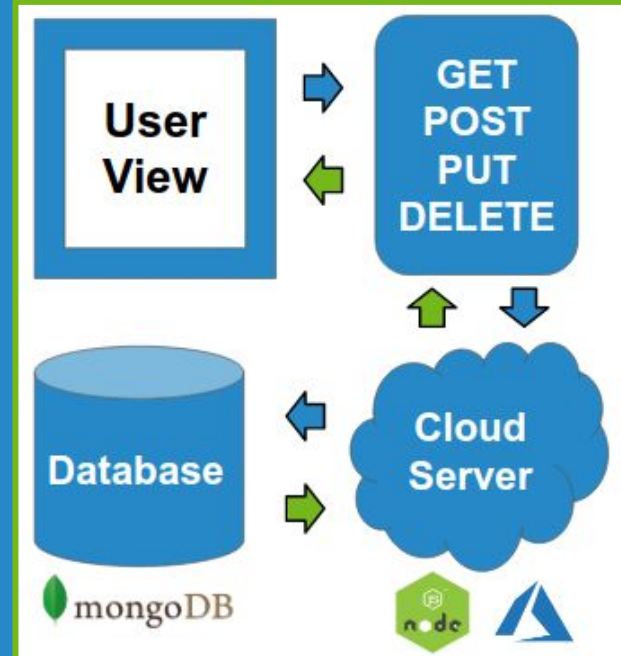- Events & Data

- Development Challenges

Redux

- Helps React.js manage app state
- Easy flow of data to components
- Setup Challenges

RESTful API

- HTTP request/response cycle

- Standardized methods

- Collaboration with the back-end team

Personal & Professional Growth

Strengths Found

- Communication
- Learning new technologies
- Researching solutions
- Organization

- Friendly and easy to work with
- Giving valuable project input
- Asking for help when needed

New Professional Trajectory

- Combine my broad interest and skill set

- Work at a higher level of technical development

- Manage product and projects

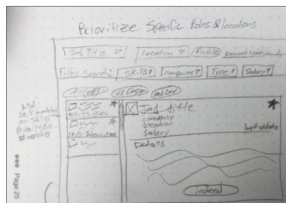- Continue learning about new technologies and approaches

Conclusion

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Project Summary

- Create a job portal website for entry-level tech professionals
- Collaborate with fellow interns on front-end, back-end, design, and data science teams
- Participate in daily stand-up meetings
- Have ownership over front-end development and design
- Learn and use industry standard tools for development
- Test for, report, and fix software bugs
- Gain comfortability with ambiguity
- Develop career skills in web design and development
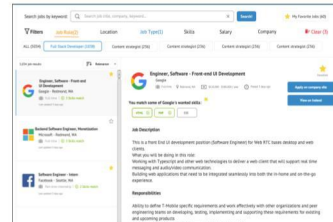- Produce something valuable

Methods

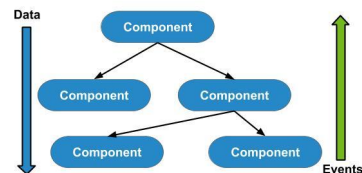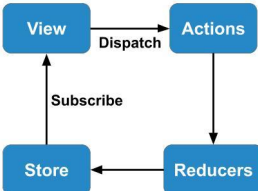### 1. Sketch

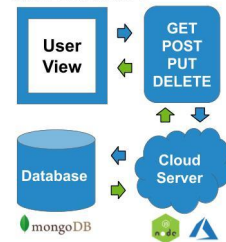### 2. Wireframe

3. Mockup

4. React.js

5. Redux

6. RESTful API

Challenges

- Unfamiliarity with new tools and engineering practices
- Ambiguity in project design
- Inexperience of the development team
- Collaboration with remote teams

Results

- Designed and developed 5 webpages
- Learned to use Axure, React.js, Redux, and Azure DevOps
- Gained experience in Agile development
- Further realized my career path

Tools