Steven Mao

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Professional Experience

Software Engineer Intern | VISA

May – August 2023

- Developed end-to-end **Spring Boot** microservice to process VISA business clients into the network
- Performed QA Testing for robustness and unit testing for full coverage with Junit 5
- Setup pipeline and deployed whole API on Cloudview in Docker + Kubernetes environment
- Implemented data pipelining with Kafka for a data validation API to maximize throughput of data
- Experimenting predictive modeling with VISA's raw data, employing RNNs to forecast revenues

Teacher's Assistant | TAMU College of Engineering

August 2022 – May 2023

- Led recitation of 90+ students and guided them through the process of engineering real-world solutions
- Collaborated with several TAs, spending 5+ hours weekly grading 3 different courses

Education

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Honors B.S. Computer Science, Mathematics Minor

August 2021 – May 2025

GPA: 3.8

Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Computer Organization, Computer Systems, Operating Systems, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Math Probability, Data Visualization

Projects

Binger: Reader and Library API

Present

Full-Stack

- Writing a performance-first Rust API using Axum that manages a memory-efficient digital library
- Heavily leverages tokio async, multithreading, atomic ops, and mutexes to accelerate performance
- Implement a dynamic proxy server that switches to async scraping based on traffic
- Designing a Svelte/Kit reader and library manager UI, optimized with SSR and lazy-loading

Restaurant Kiosk February – May 2023

Project Manager

- Led a 5-man team using **Scrum Framework** to design kiosk software for a restaurant
- Distributed tasks to teammates in 2-week sprints while drafting burndown charts, stories, and backlogs
- Used **React** to design the UI and **Express.js** on **Nodejs** for the API to perform data processing
- Designed relational data models with PostgreSQL and hosted on AWS

Investart: Financial Trading Simulator

January 2023

Full-Stack - Hackathon 2023

- Design a stock simulator with LT events, news board, and historical data
- Wrote an opposing **Python** trading bot using various algorithmic strategies: regression, mean reversion...
- Utilized **React** to create a sleek interface and **Express.js** server to facilitate stock API data

Portfolio Websites (2): HTML/CSS/JS hosted on **Github Pages** (2022 Portfolio, TAMU Portfolio)

Blubot: Music Streaming Discord Bot hosted on **AWS EC2** using Pycord API & FFMPEG decoder

American Airlines Baggage Prediction: **SKLearn** Ensemble-based (RF) model with ~75% accuracy

Nov 2022

Skills

- Programming Languages: C++ | Python | Rust | Java | JavaScript | HTML/ CSS | C | Golang | SQL
- Libraries and Frameworks: React | Svelte | Spring Boot | Angular | Kafka | Express | Maven
- Technologies and Cloud: Git | AWS | Heroku | Google Cloud | MongoDB | Docker