Steven Gao

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Skills

Programming Languages

HTML | CSS | JavaScript | TypeScript | Java | Python | SQL

Technologies

Node.js | React | Ember | Git | GitHub Actions | Cloudflare | AWS | Docker

Experience

LinkedIn - San Francisco, California

March 2019 - Present

Senior Software Engineer

- Driving, designing, and implementing full-stack enterprise functionality across LinkedIn's ads offerings, enabling permission management, billing customer support, payment wallets, self-serve invoicing, and more.
- Founding engineer launching LinkedIn's business manager tool, providing advertisers and agencies with a unified hub for seamlessly managing employees and marketing assets, streamlining marketing operations at scale.
- Championed web accessibility across LinkedIn's ad offerings by leading accessibility audits, hosting office hours, and up-leveling junior engineers through demos, presentations, and mentoring.

LinkedIn - Mountain View, California

May - August 2018

Software Engineering Intern

- Implemented enterprise functionality on LinkedIn's new ads campaign manager platform built with Ember.
- Designed API and front end implementation for the ads billing center, where admins can manage payment methods, and view receipts and invoices.

Yahoo! - Sunnyvale, California

January - September 2017

Software Engineering Co-op

- Migrated Yahoo Mail message list and search React components from Flux to Redux, improving performance while streamlining the development and testing process by simplifying the state to a single store.
- Designed, prototyped, and implemented a performant and extensible solution for message items, improving inbox infinite scroll frame rendering, and allowing easier implementation of new product designs requiring re-renders.
- Implemented and deployed accessibility features to the inbox, bringing a fully-featured and CVAA compliant mail experience to visually impaired users.

Quintara Biosciences - South San Francisco, California

July - September 2016

Web Developer

- Worked on a web application built on top of a Python MVC framework, consisting of WSGI components such as SQLAlchemy, Genshi, and Repoze.
- Implemented online ordering pages and internal order tracking pages for services and products provided to researchers at universities, biotech companies, and pharmaceutical companies.

Education

University of British Columbia - Vancouver, British Columbia

September 2014 - December 2018

Bachelor of Commerce, Business and Computer Science

• Computer Science Co-op: a program in which students who have demonstrated sufficient technical, communication, and teamwork skills complement academics with relevant work placements.

Projects

Coinwatchbot

 Designed a Python-based Reddit bot that when prompted by users, generates Markdown tables with real-time information for over a thousand cryptocurrencies available from the CoinMarketCap API.

Where's it Lit?

 Built at NWHacks, Where's it Lit? parses JSON files from the Bandsintown API and utilizes the Google Maps API to visualize the concert coverage of your favorite artists.