Tommy Li

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Technical Skills

JavaScript, TypeScript, React (Hooks, Router), Redux, Node.js, Express, SQL (PostgreSQL), NoSQL (MongoDB), GraphQL, Apollo, Authentication (bcrypt, JWT), Python, Webpack, Git/Github, Gatsby, Chart.js, Chakra UI, Material UI, Bootstrap, HTML/CSS/SASS, TDD (Jest, Supertest), Docker, AWS, Github Actions, Netlify, Adobe Suite

Experience

Kensa | Software Engineer | OSLabs

Aug 2022 - Present

- Developed GraphQL API monitoring app using **React** to dynamically generate components at runtime and maintain one-way data flow across the entire application, increasing scalability and creating a more intuitive debugging process
- Implemented a GraphQL IDE using **Monaco Editor** to allow users to test GraphQL queries, providing a one-stop testing and data-monitoring playground to speed up development process for GraphQL schemas and resolvers
- Created an npm package for app users to easily establish connection between Apollo server and a SQL database through an API key to collect and store query metrics of all requests that are sent to custom GraphQL API endpoints
- Created custom **TypeScripts** types and interfaces to leverage auto type-checking functionality to minimize bugs and prevent runtime errors, improving application scalability and facilitating cross-development among teams
- Integrated **Apollo Server** to an Express backend to communicate with SQL database and provide a self-documenting GraphQL API to the frontend for faster request queries with strongly typed schemas and fields that provide descriptive error messages before execution
- Incorporated **Apollo Client** to create custom React hooks using predefined GraphQL fields to query the exact data and resources from SQL database in a single request on the client side, eliminating over-fetching Deployed application
- Deployed application using **AWS** Elastic Beanstalk and setup Cloudfront distribution to direct all incoming traffic to registered domain name as well as sending all outgoing requests using a secure HTTPS port (kensats.link)

Web Developer | Canterbury Gardens & Gifts

Jan 2018 - Sep 2018

- Utilized WordPress to rebuild Magento website and incorporated SEO plugin for better search engine optimization
- Managed a database of SKUs with Shopify for eCommerce website for brick-and-mortar Christmas store
- Used MailChimp to set up mailing list for advertising and marketing purposes

Projects

MonoJstick | Code snippet sharing app

- Created code snippets sharing app with React and React-Router to handle client-side routing, centralizing all routes in
 one component to provide seamless user experience in a single page application by mitigating component re-renders
- Used Firebase Authentication SDK to build secure multi-platform authentications and user creation and management

Rumblr | Earthquake information app

- Incorporated USGS API into **Node.js** backend to retrieve and purify a myriad of earthquake data
- Followed TDD with Jest and Supertest to ensure all REST API endpoints are operating properly and able to handle
 various edge cases throughout development, helping the app to scale by alerting any breaking changes

Education

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA | Bachelor of Architecture

Tech Talk

Jeeny and Bractlet Speakers Series - Serverless Architecture (Lambda)

Interests

Indoor Bouldering | Hiking Mt Baldy | Listening to alternative rock | Playing Overwatch | Working out | Playing Guitar | Sketching buildings | Cooking Italian dishes | Reading sci-fi books | Browsing architecture news | Doing home repair