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WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer, Google LLC - Android Privacy Sandbox Team

03/2022 - Present

Project: *On-Device Personalization - User Data and Policy Compliance*

Mountain View, CA

- Built, maintained, and tested Android system modules in **Java/Kotlin** that empower on-device ads targeting by leveraging **edge computing** technologies, which will deprecate **cross-app identifiers** on Android.
- Built end-to-end, resource-efficient **ETL** pipelines to periodically collect on-device, real-time user data for **3+ billion** users. Designed and implemented **SQLite** database schema, **upgrade/rollback** mechanism, and **DAOs** to store privacy-sensitive data with **TTL controls** that automatically clean up stale records.
- Fully owned the design of a **policy enforcement** module (aka. policy engine) in Kotlin that provides adtech developers with APIs to access on-device data in compliance with legal regulations (**GDPR**, **CCPA**, **COPPA**, etc.) and **user consent** settings by **codifying** policies into system. Our design separates policy management from data processing logic, which facilitates **compliance audit** efforts and minimizes privacy violations.
- Integrated an open-sourced **C++** library into the policy engine to enforce more advanced privacy-preserving use cases: data formatting per **IAB standard**, **differential privacy** noise on raw data, and a verification engine for **SQL** queries, which ensures that only aggregated, de-identified data can leave the device.
- To enforce COPPA and **AADC** laws, **xfn'ly** collaborated with PM/legal to finalize and enforce kids policies for the GA release by building APIs to obtain kid status. Awarded **1000\$ cash bonus** by senior leadership.

Software Engineering Intern, Cloudera, Inc. - Distributed Storage Team

05/2021 - 08/2021

Project: *Ozone Namespace Summaries in Recon*

Santa Clara, CA

- Enriched features for Hadoop's big data object storage, **Apache Ozone**, by adding **Java/Maven** modules and unit tests. Resolved 10+ **Jira** issues and contributed **10k+** lines of code as an open-source committer.
- Developed dashboard systems (**CLI tool**, Web UI, and APIs) for Ozone on the monitoring server, **Recon**, that helps clients visualize disk usage (DU) of Ozone clusters, which increases **observability** of the system.
- Designed a **RocksDB** schema to store real-time metadata updates by taking snapshots of Ozone datanode manager (**OM**) via **gRPC**. Implemented **Java RESTful APIs** that query metadata from RocksDB and (recursively) compute disk usage on Recon's backend, which saved 90% **CPU cycles** on OM.
- Visualized DU as pie charts on Web UI by building frontend in **React**, **TypeScript**, **Less**, and **Plotly.js**.

Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University

06/2021 - 12/2021, Pittsburgh, PA

- Redesigned the cloud storage project for **cloud computing course**, which built a social networking website with heterogeneous storage in **MySQL** for login info, **MongoDB** for comments, and **Neo4j** for social relations.
- Migrated cloud infrastructure and database provider from **GCP** to **Azure**. Built **Terraform** to automate VM deployment and dependency installation, which allowed students to focus on core learning objectives.

Full-Stack Mobile Developer, Iowa State University

04/2020 - 07/2020, Remote

- Developed a cross-platformed mobile app in **Flutter/Dart** for the university's **COVID-19 Tracker** project's dashboard, which provides daily infected cases and death tolls. Our work has been trended on **news**.
- In agile iterations, managed **UI design**, **automatic location pinpoint**, **OAuth integration**, and **screen size adaptation**. Loaded a **Firebase** database for the app from raw data in CSV and JSON.

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Science in Information Networking

08/2020 - 12/2021

Coursework: Computer Systems, Cloud Computing, Distributed Systems, Database Systems, Storage Systems

Honors: Merit-based Tuition Scholarship, 2020 vGHC Full Scholarship, Teaching Assistant for Cloud Computing

College of William and Mary

Williamsburg, VA

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Mathematics, GPA: 3.87/4.00

08/2017 - 05/2020

Honors: *summa cum laude*, James Monroe Scholar, Research Assistant fellowship, Dean's List student