Yan Zhao

Objective

Backends engineer dedicating to deliver reliable, performant and scalable applications.

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WORK EXPERIENCE University of California, Berkeley

Jan 2015 – Present

Graduate Student Instructor - Data Structures

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Feb 2014 - Sep 2014

Founding engineer - Director of Engineering

- · Leading the implementation and architecture of the backend system with Ruby on Rails and maintaining test coverage higher than 90%.
- · Doing DevOps in maintaining production server backend on AWS cloud stack.
- \cdot Working with product team in coming up with and implementing new features.
- · Mentoring interns in ramp up process and doing code reviews.

Twitter, Inc.

May 2014 – Aug 2014

Software Engineer Intern - Search Infrastructure Team

- · Worked on social search project to improve real time index update speed.
- \cdot Improved Apache Lucene search framework with real time search functionality on out of order posting updates.
- · Designed lock-free thread safe data structure to optimize posting list storage.
- \cdot Applied designed augmented data structure to support range query on real time index.

The Aspire Lab - Berkeley

Aug 2013 – Jan 2014

Research Assistant - SEJITS Project by Professor Armando Fox

· Running Apache Spark on Amazon EC2 computers.

GoDaddy.com, LLC

May 2013 - Dec 2013

Ruby on Rails Developer - E-Commerce Web Platform

- \cdot Modified and updated a database routing library for multi-tenancy web application.
- \cdot Participated in the implementation of internal Single Sign-on system for the web application.
- · Override ActiveRecord 3.2.14 for thread safety in the situation of multi-threads app server.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

May 2014 – Present

M.E. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Concentration in Computer Graphics and Visual Computing

Merit Based Scholarship

Expected Graduation in May 2015

University of California, Berkeley

Aug 2011 - May 2014

B.S. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Graduation With Honors

Member of Eta Kappa Nu

Selected Projects

Global Illumination Renderer and Physically-based Cloth Simulation in C++

Final project for CS 184 Computer Graphics

- · Supports axis-aligned bounding boxes tree to accelerate the render speed to log asymptotically fast.
- · Simulates stretching/sheering force with energy condition and bending force with edge spring.
- · Showcase: yanzhao.me/project/raytracer & yanzhao.me/project/clothsim

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Proficiency in Ruby, Python, Rails, Java, HTML, CSS, SQL, MySQL, Agile Methodology. **Experience** in C++, C, Apache Mesos, JavaScript, jQuery, Scala, OpenMP, OpenGL, PostgreSQL.