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## **EXPERIENCE**

## Microsoft | Software Engineer

Sept 2018 - Present (Prev. Sept 2017 - Dec 2017) | Redmond, WA C#, Python, TypeScript, MS Azure, ML.NET, TensorFlow, .NET, LINQ



- Designed, trained, and integrated a new autosuggest ranker for the release of the Chromium-based Edge browser; metrics show parity against Chrome autosuggest
- Built and deployed an Azure microservice for serving non-prefix-match autosuggestions; handles ~2,500 QPS per instance and has a 99th percentile latency of ~20 ms
- Built an n-gram and a recurrent neural network language model to predict the next words
  of incomplete user queries
  - Integrated next word prediction into Bing's autosuggest pipeline to show relevant suggestions for uncommon queries; improved overall suggestion coverage by ~20%
- Helped tune and improve the autosuggest relevance of Windows Search Box, Edge, and Bing.com through analyzing query patterns and experimentation

### LinkedIn | Data Infrastructure Intern

Jan 2017 - Apr 2017 | Sunnyvale, CA

Java, Kafka, MySQL, Ambry



- · Helped launch LinkedIn's media infrastructure for processing and serving media assets
- Designed, built, and released a distributed end-to-end validation and performance testing framework for the media processing infrastructure
  - Handles scheduling, traffic generation, metrics collection, data validation, and alerting
  - Used for failure monitoring, experimentation, and automating customizable tests

## Yahoo! | Software Engineering Intern

May 2016 - Aug 2016 | Sunnyvale, CA

Node.js, React, Fluxible, MySQL, AWS



- Created and launched Yahoo! View (view.yahoo.com) as part of the web team; served thousands of TV shows and movies
- Built core React components, backend APIs, and integrated **Tumblr** content into Yahoo! View to show relevant official and fan posts
- Setup the entire backend integration testing infrastructure for Yahoo! View

# **PROJECTS**

KaeSwap | Website | Next.js, Apollo GraphQL, Flask, Postgres, AWS S3, Docker Dec 2018 - Present A platform for K-pop enthusiasts to trade and resale their albums/posters/merch: received

thousands of pageviews and hundreds of concurrent active users during the KCON LA event

Chatbots that power **additional functionalities** on top of Discord servers: custom emoji/gif and sticker reactions, media sorting and archiving, lyrics/YouTube scraper, and logging

LUOL | iOS App | Node.js, React Native, MobX, Firebase

Discord Utility Bots | Node.js Client | Node.js, Firebase, Discord API

Jan 2017 - Sept 2017

Aug 2018 - Present

A mobile platform for locals and tourists to post, discover, and book tours around their area

MelonWatch | OpenGL App | C++, OpenGL, OpenAL

Aug 2017

A 3D OpenGL first-person shooter; built completely from scratch featuring dynamic shadow mapping, particle system, and physics engine

## **SKILLS**

#### Languages

- JavaScript
- Python
- Java
- C#
- C++
- Scala
- SQL
- HTML / CSS

#### Frameworks

#### > Web

- React
- · Apollo GraphQL
- Express
- Flask
- Redux
- MobX
- Angular

#### > Data

- Spark
- ML.NET
- TensorFlow
- Hadoop

#### > Application

- · React Native
- Android SDK
- .NET
- OpenGL

#### **Databases**

- PostgreSQL
- MySQL
- MongoDB

#### Tools

- Node.js
- AWS
- · Microsoft Azure
- Firebase
- Docker
- Jupyter
- Git

## **EDUCATION**

# University of Waterloo

Bachelor of Software Engineering Sept 2013 – Apr 2018