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Experience

Software Engineer Twitch July 2021 – Present

Identity Team (Go, TypeScript, PostgreSQL, GraphQL)

- Maintaining and shipping AuthN/AuthZ micro-services of Twitch which serves close to 300k RPS.
- Shipped e2e security features to user account settings like verifying a phone number and allowing phone reuse for multiple accounts.
- Improved visibility on Auth and Settings UI components of the Twitch Website by adding availability tracking.

Research Assistant - Full Stack

Fire Research Lab, NYU

Sept 2019 - May 2021

Course Catalog App, Course Creation App for Fire Safety (Node/GraphQL/React)

- Overhauled the complete end to end payment ecosystem including wishlist, cart, coupons and support for multi currency/country transactions (on Stripe).
- Crafted interactive, reusable ReactJS components for the course editor (MS PowerPoint like) and developed accessible user interfaces.
- Reduced the deployment bottlenecks of the frontend/backend apps using CircleCI/CD and boosted the SDLC efficiency.

Software Engineer Kubric May 2018 – May 2019

Kubric Storage App (Cloud Storage Dashboard)

- Simplified the process for adding new UI filters dynamically to the app by composing a node module which increased code coverage by 60%.
- Enriched the UI experience by adding editing and transformation capabilities and creating HTML Canvas playgrounds in ReactJS.
- Increased the upload throughput by building a batched queue in the pipeline and provided error and progress reporting through APIs. Kubric Player (kubric-player.surge.sh)
- Built a light-weight, embeddable interactive HTML5 video player SDK with DASH support for e-commerce product videos to boost online shopping experience for Kubric's clients.

Google Summer of Code Intern

Google Summer of Code, FOSSASIA

May 2017 - Aug 2017

SUSI.AI Smart Chat Assistant (https://tinyurl.com/rsf3czn)

- Implemented internationalization, user authentication, theme switching capabilities and a feedback system in ReactJS for the Chat App for an immersive experience.
- Enhanced interactivity with the assistant by enabling voice input and output capabilities.

SUSI Skills (https://susi.ai - Skills for Chat Assistant)

- Created an easy to access skill discovery page for the chat assistant similar to Alexa Skills.
- Improved the bundle size of the app and the build time by 70% using code splitting and gzip compression provided by webpack.

Projects

- Restaurant Recommendation Bot (2020). Scalable serverless micro-service for location based restaurant suggestions from Yelp API. AWS Lambda, DynamoDB, Elastic Search, Lex, SNS and SQS. https://github.com/rishiraj824/Restaurant-Recommendation-Bot
- **Heddler** (2020). Photo storage and album creation tool for digital studios and for making portfolios. AWS S3, NextJS, MongoDB, Cognito https://heddler.com
- Chalk It Out (2020). HTML Canvas and WebSocket server based live teaching app with content capture and multiple user connections. Deno, HTML Canvas, ReactJS. https://chalk-it-out.surge.sh/

Additional Experience and Awards

- Google Developer Groups Organizer (2016-18): Organized Hackathons, tech talks, and contributed to and moderated various open source projects.
- Google Summer of Code Mentor (Summer 2018) Ensured daily SCRUM Reports, performed code reviews.
- CodeHeat Finalist (2017) for Loklak Search (Advanced Twitter Search Engine) Top 10 contributors amongst 443 participants worldwide, invited to FOSSASIA Tech Summit, Singapore for the award. Angular 2.

Skills

Languages: Java; Python; Javascript; C++; C; SQL;

Technologies: NodeJS; ReactJS; GraphQL/Apollo/Relay; MongoDB; Django; Deno; Angular.js(2/4); React Native; Jest/Enzyme; Redis; PostgreSQL; Kafka; Serverless; AWS Stack - Lambda/SQS/SNS/DynamoDB/Amplify/S3; Next.js; Elastic Search; Docker;

Education

- M.S. in Computer Engineering, New York University.
- B.Tech. in Computer Science, VIT University, India.

Sept 2019 – May 2021

July 2014 - April 2018