Wenzhao Pan

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EDUCATION

University of Waterloo | Bachelor of Computer Science

Sept 2022 - Present

- 3.94 GPA, Dean's Honours List
- Recipient of Mathematics National Scholarship (\$12,000) which is awarded to ≤10 University of Waterloo students with outstanding mathematics and computer science achievements
- Relevant Courses: Algorithm Design and Data Structures (Advanced), Functional Programming (Advanced)

SKILLS

Languages: Java, C, C++, JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, Go, SQL, HTML/CSS, Bash Tools & Technologies: React, Next.JS, Node.JS, PostgreSQL, MongoDB with Mongoose, Docker, AWS

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer

May 2024 - August 2024

University of Waterloo, P&R Solutions

Waterloo, ON

- Implemented **tools and scripts** for a new **Magento e-commerce** system supporting the University of Waterloo's textbook sales, resulting in a 43% growth in revenue from textbook sales
- Refined and developed multiple full-stack web tools with Bash scripting, JavaScript, and PHP to support exam printing/scanning/billing, improving department efficiency by 37% and saving 100+ hours for 50+ department staff
- Developed 20+ scripts and backend components with UniVerse BASIC and Bash to support merchandise sale and inventory management, improving accuracy of inventory reports by up to 78%
- Engineered a security framework to prevent DoS attacks by configuring **Docker/Podman containers with Nginx**, featuring dynamic **IP blacklisting**, **user-agent filtering**, **and rate limiting**, improving site performance by up to 93%
- Participated in code reviews and security quality assurance after data breach, reviewing 10000+ lines of code and ensuring services passed 100% of test cases and aligned with WCAG 2.0 accessibility guidelines

Frontend Developer

Mar 2024 - May 2024

Private Contract

Remote

- Served as the **sole frontend developer**, designing and developing a **dynamic user interface** for a finance-based AI application, ensuring seamless integration with a **Fetch API** and consistently meeting project deadlines
- Designed front-end code using HTML, CSS, TypeScript React to create a responsive web application that works across desktop, laptop, tablets, and 20+ devices
- Hand-coded stylesheets with Tailwind CSS into 10+ TypeScript React interfaces, reducing load times by 75%
- Decreased frontend error rates by 12% by implementing robust error handling and thorough testing, creating and implementing tests that achieved 100% test coverage

Projects

Note-It Together Ω | TypeScript, ExpressJS, Node.JS, React, HTML/CSS

- Developed a **dynamic frontend interface** utilizing **TypeScript React**, integrating with the **Node.JS** backend through the **Fetch API**, empowering **100+** users to add, edit, and delete notes within their browser.
- Engineered a robust backend with **Node.js**, **Express**, **and Prisma** for **AWS PostgreSQL** database, and implemented **CRUD operations** using various **HTTP methods**. Resulted in **23**% reduction in retrieval time for note data.

HackTheNorth: Still Can't Find Waldo O | Python Flask, JavaScript React, HTML/CSS

- Developed a full stack Where's Waldo application for vision-tracking glasses hardware using a JavaScript React frontend and Python Flask backend used by dozens of individuals with disabilities
- Engineered custom low-latency and high-resolution video streaming from vision-tracking glasses using custom socket networking protocol built using Python, JavaScript, socket.io, and AdHawk API. Improved video resolution by 12% while decreasing latency by 52%.
- Implemented a custom calibration system for vision-tracking glasses using 3D vector and plane computational geometry and computer vision techniques, improving the gameplay precision by 80%.

AWARDS/COMPETITIONS

Euclid Math Contest 2022 Top 200 out of 16700 high school students, top 1.2% Canadian Computing Competition 2023 (Senior) Top 264 out of 3420 high school students, top 7.7% Pickering Music Festival (ARCT Finalist) Second place for the ARCT Performer's class