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EDUCATION

Polytechnique Montréal

Montréal, QC

Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering

Aug. 2021 - May 2025

The University of British Columbia

Vancouver, BC

Exchange Semester

Sep. 2023 - Dec. 2023

EXPERIENCE

Development Lead

Jan. 2024 – Present

Hamol Cosmetics

Remote

- Leading the migration of the company's website to a headless Shopify storefront, utilizing React and Shopify Hydrogen to modernize the infrastructure and enhance online consumer engagement.
- Developing modern informational pages and integrating advanced e-commerce functionalities to support rebranding initiatives and international market expansion.
- Implementing best practices in software development and project management to guide the team through critical development phases, ensuring timely delivery of the revamped platform.

Web Developer Intern

June 2023 – Dec. 2023

Fastercom Inc.

Montréal, QC

- Developed and enhanced features for an online vehicle fleet management and optimization platform using React and TypeScript, significantly improving functionality and user experience.
- Utilized various libraries, including Storybook, Chakra, and Lodash, to optimize development processes and enhance code efficiency, resulting in faster loading times and smoother performance.
- Collaborated closely with a cross-functional team of software developers and project managers to provide innovative solutions to optimize the platform's performance and successfully meet project goals.

Projects

Abalone AI Agent | Python, Minimax Algorithm

May 2024

- Developed an AI agent using Python to play the board game Abalone, implementing strategic gameplay enhancements
- Utilized a Minimax algorithm with enhancements for decision making, improving the agent's performance in competitive scenarios
- Implemented advanced heuristics to evaluate game states, optimizing move selection based on strategic weightings

Find The Difference Game | Electron, Flutter, Node.js, Express, MongoDB, Firebase | •

April 2024

- Developed a multi-platform Desktop/Android online multiplayer image comparison game with seamless cross-play.
- Established game match data persistence using MongoDB and user authentication and notifications using Firebase
- Implemented a breadth-first search algorithm to detect differences within an interactive drawing canvas.

Friend Commuting Android App | Java, XML Layouts, Espresso, JavaScript, Node.js, Azure | • Nov. 2023

- Developed and tested an Android app with Google Sign-In, Maps, and Calendar integration, featuring an intuitive UI and dynamic tabs for user-friendly navigation.
- Implemented back-end algorithms for optimal transit routes, user matching, and collaborative commuting.
- Ensured compliance with RESTful service standards and followed software engineering principles for functional and non-functional requirements..

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Java, SQL, HTML/CSS, Python, Swift, Dart, C/C++ Frameworks: Node.js, React, Angular, Svelte, Astro, Flask, Tailwind, SwiftUI, Flutter

Libraries: Jest, Mocha, Chai, Karma, Espresso, Storybook, Express, Socket.IO, Jupyter, Gradle

Design Tools: Figma, Adobe Creative Cloud, Affinity Suite