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Software Engineer

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01 PROFILE

I am a **User-Experience-Focused** Software Engineer passionate about delivering intuitive, beautiful & accessible digital experiences.

I ship **scalable, well-tested** and **pixel-perfect** work – both on the Web via React, and on Mobile via Ionic / React Native.

Core Technologies: React, TypeScript, Node.js, AWS, React Native, Ionic, Capacitor, Firebase, GraphQL

02 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

01/2023 — Present

Senior Frontend Engineer at Verilabs (Contract)

Remote

My responsibilities & achievements:

- Build our drop-in, **open-source** widget
- Rapidly ship a series of demos and proof-of-concepts, **aiding the acquisition of new investors**, and successful showings to our stakeholders / partners
- Revamp public our documentation

Technologies used: React, Typescript, ethers / web3, styled-components

01/2022 — 01/2023

Frontend Engineer at Typeform

London

Unfortunately, my tenure at Typeform ended prematurely due to a series of layoffs directly affecting the whole of my team and about 30% of the company in general.

My responsibilities & achievements:

- Create our own **React component library** based on our design system
- Conduct and analyse **dozens of user interviews & research** competitors in collaboration with our design team
- Work in a **fast-paced, startup-like** environment in our R&D team
- Setup our CI/CD pipelines and test environment
- Nurture a culture of automated testing in our day-to-day workflow, enabling us to deliver software with **greater confidence. Go slow, to go fast.**
- **Mentorship and guidance** to other Engineers in the team

Technologies used: React, Typescript, Node.js, Firebase, Storybook, GraphQL, styled-components

05/2021 — 01/2022

Frontend Engineer at PokerStars

Leeds

Joining PokerStars, my team was tasked with rebuilding the UI of our Sports-betting platform from the ground up, on a modern tech stack.

Technologies used: React, TypeScript, Node.js, Cypress, Testing Library

04/2020 — 05/2021

Software Engineer at Booking.com

Manchester

My responsibilities:

- Work in an agile, highly quality-driven team, delivering world-class booking experiences **for millions of users worldwide**
- The architecture of our bespoke Microfrontends – including a set of in-house libraries responsible for data-sharing, standardising communication with our APIs, and serving/consuming these Microfrontends, **helping frontend teams ship** approximately **7x-10x more frequently** (per week)

- AWS CloudFormation (IaC) to deploy/manage a wide range of AWS services including Pipelines, EC2, WAF, Lambda, DynamoDB, Fargate, and more

Technologies used: React, Typescript, Node.js, Cypress, Eggplant, Jest, Testing Library

12/2018 — 04/2020

Frontend Developer at DEPT® Agency

Manchester

My responsibilities & achievements:

- **Ship over 10+ independent projects** back-to-back
- **Lead front-end efforts on 3** of our highest-ticket projects
- **Client-facing role:** project management, timelines, expectations, technical support
- Deliver well-tested code in an extremely fast-paced environment, without compromising on quality
- Contribute to ways of working related engineering-wide initiatives

Technologies used: React, Vue, Redux, Vuex, Laravel, Cypress, Jest, PHPUnit, styled-components

06/2016 — 03/2019

Full-Stack Developer at VerveDev Inc.

Remote

VerveDev is a small design and development agency specialising in kick-starting businesses. At VerveDev, I've directly worked with clients as small as your local restaurant, to as big as Canadian School Boards.

My responsibilities included:

- **Working closely with clients**, defining requirements, managing expectations, setting deadlines & delivering work
- Manage our **DevOps** pipelines for both internal systems and systems of our clients
- Worked with Institutional clients including the Durham School Board and OECTA

Technologies used: Symfony (PHP), Vue.js (JavaScript)

03 EDUCATION

Oct 2019 — Sep 2023

The Open University

Manchester

BSc (Honours) Computing & IT and Business

Balancing a full-time job and a full-time university course is a demanding task. However, this challenge has enabled me to cultivate **exceptional time-management skills** while maintaining outstanding performance in both my academic and professional pursuits.

Pursuing a business degree has broadened my perspective beyond the technical aspects of creating solutions, **allowing me to consider a comprehensive array of entrepreneurial factors**.

04 SKILLS

React.js

PHP (Laravel, Symfony)

Typescript

React Native

Node.js

Capacitor

GraphQL

Ionic

AWS

05 LANGUAGES

English



Hungarian

