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Software engineer dedicated to creating user-centric, maintainable, and reliable software. Experience designing, coding, deploying, and monitoring highly-available services with thousands of calls/second. Productive on UNIX and AWS; proficient with Java and Python; familiar with C, Javascript, HTML/CSS, and other technologies. Bilingual.

Experience

Amazon (2016–2018)

Software Development Engineer, Alexa Communications

- Maintained and operated, as part of an agile team, a portfolio of highly-available services related to endpoint management, message routing, device configuration, and media relay infrastructure. (Java, TURN/STUN)
- Designed, implemented, and executed an in-service data migration as part of a small group. (Java, MySQL, DynamoDB)
- Participated in an on-call shift rotation, diagnosing service anomalies and mitigating customer impact.
- Initiated and implemented improvements to the on-call dashboards to improve readability and consistency, resulting in faster issue diagnosis despite a growing portfolio of services.
- Led an investigation into a data-loss incident; gathered facts, interviewed team members, and reported the findings to senior management (including recommendations which informed future best practices).

Cisco Systems (2013–2016)

Software Engineer, Enterprise Networking Group

- Redesigned and rewrote a network subscriber emulator to test router performance, achieving a higher call rate with a more user-friendly, flexible tool. (Java, JNI, C)
- Designed and wrote a Python API for Cisco's IOS command line interface to enable scripted network management; received positive feedback from customers at Cisco Live and another executive conference. (Python)
- Won, as part of a team, an office hackthon with an application that used existing customer service data and good UX design principles to improve customer support. Our concept was one of five projects company-wide to be recommended for further resources and funding. (HTML/CSS, Javascript, Python)
- Contributed to the modernization and cleanup of the in-service software upgrade system in Cisco routers and switches. (Lua, Python, Bash scripts)

Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat (2011–2012)

Intern Application Developer, Interoperability Center of Excellence

- Developed a proof of concept Service Oriented Architecture, in order to better integrate soloed government departments. (Java, Tomcat)
- Researched UDDI technology as a possible automatic service discovery option, and presented my recommendation against it.
- Acquired Level II (Secret) security clearance with the Government of Canada.

Qualifications

AWS Certified Developer, Associate (2018) AWS Certified Solutions Architect, Associate (2018)

Bachelor of Applied Science, Software Engineering Degree (2013) University of Ottawa