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projects

Takoyaki[®]: Cloud Hosting Platform

Nov 2021-present

- Cloud hosting platform that lets users create virtual private servers on demand and with features like automatic snapshots and support for various Linux distributions
- Golang backend that interfaces with PostgreSQL database along with a utility CLI to run database migrations and authorize virtual machine creation requests
- Makes use of Libvirt and CloudInit cloud images to quickly build a preconfigured virtual machine. Also dockerized and configured with Envoy as a reverse proxy

ShopAdvisr®: Shopping Done Smarter

- Developed **React Native** app to streamline the shopping experience by providing store specific information like aisle number of product as well as any ongoing sales
- Flask backend that features voice search with intent detection powered by AssemblyAI, as well as image search using Google's vision api, winning \$200 of prizes

WidgetHub®: A New Way to Widget



- Wrote ReactJS frontend styled with TailwindCSS to provide customized one click copyable widgets for use on a variety of sites like Wordpress, Weebly and vanilla HTML
- Implemented Express Typescript backend that exposes both a REST API and GraphQL API to serve aggregated data from a variety of sites like Github and Devpost

DiscourseVR[®]: Multiplayer VR Debate

Apr 2021

- Built a multiplayer VR application with networked voice and text chat using the Unity Game Engine along with packages like Mirror, Dissonance, and RockVR
- Created a companion Vue webapp using Nuxt and TailwindCSS to playback the recorded debate, along with a Google speech-to-text API generated live transcript
- Served video files through NGINX and wrote a shell script to automatically format videos with ffmpeg and upload to the main server via rsync

experience

Enzuzo Data Privacy: Full Stack Web Developer

2021

- Introduced multilingual support to flagship cookiebar application and ReactJS admin app, bringing in customers from new regions like Japan and Greece
- Wrote migrations in Golang using Gorm to introduce a property bag model for storing customer settings in PostgreSQL database as well as validation for existing data

UW Computer Science Club: Term Com

- Used Ansible to automate the creation of development VMs for both Qemu and Libvirt
- Worked on Golang script to sync Linux package repositories with the CSC mirror

TOHacks: Backend Developer

- VueJS web app for judges to intuitively grade submitted hackathon projects
- Built Express Typescript backend from the ground up with OpenAPI based request and response validation, type generation and client sdk

skills

education

Languages

programming C, C++, Go, Haskell, Java, Javascript/Typescript, Python, Rust markup HTML, CSS, LATEX, Roff other Unix Shell/Bash, Makefile, SQL

Tools/Frameworks

frontend Vue, React, Django backend Node, Express, PostgreSQL, GraphQL, OpenAPI/Swagger, ORM game dev Unity, Blender sysadmin/devops Ansible, Docker, Envoy,

NGINX, Libvirt/KVM, Linux (Arch, Debian)

University of Waterloo

| 2020-2025

Bachelor's of Computer Science with Digital Hardware

interests

Hackathons and Game Jams

Participated and submitted to 20+ hackathons winning 6 times, as well as 5+ game jams

Manga Scanlation

Translate, clean, and typeset a variety of Japanese manga