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SKILLS

Languages TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, Ruby, SQL, C++, Scheme, Bash, SML, Haskell, Rust, C, HTML/CSS
Tools Git, Docker, GraphQL, Node.js, VSCode Extension API, React.js, Babel, Webpack, Ruby on Rails

EXPERIENCE

Shopify, Web Foundations, Software Developer Intern, Waterloo, ON (Remote) Sep – Dec 2020

Created a small, performant, and extensible GraphQL client

- Added server-side rendering support to help consumers achieve better SEO and faster page load times
- Developed functionality to lazy load and prefetch GraphQL queries by adding support for async queries
- Identified and fixed bugs by migrating internal apps from the Apollo client to the new GraphQL client

Microsoft, VSCode, Software Engineering Intern, Waterloo, ON (Remote) May – Aug 2020

Improved accessibility in the Settings Editor GUI – [vscode#97567](https://github.com/microsoft/vscode/pull/97567)

- Evaluated different keyboard navigation models by collecting feedback from visually impaired developers
- Increased discoverability and accessibility of [object settings](#) by adding support to modify them from the GUI
- Contributed to open-source extensions to make their settings compatible with the new GUI control

data.world, Software Engineering Intern, Austin, TX May – Aug 2019

Optimized, improved, and standardized the front-end infrastructure for better performance

- Reduced response times by 20-30% by upgrading all applications to use the latest Node.js runtime
- Led the migration of all JavaScript code from Flow to TypeScript for better developer experience
- Standardized babel and polyfills to make the frontend backward compatible with older browsers

Shopify, Checkouts Core, Back End Developer Intern, Montreal, QC Sep – Dec 2018

Optimized updates to buyer information during checkout, making Web, REST, and GraphQL APIs faster

- Reduced calls to MySQL by 50% on each update by batching persisting changes

Shopify, Web Foundations, Front End Developer Intern, Ottawa, ON Jan – Aug 2018

Re-wrote the Shopify Admin front-end from ERB in Rails to TypeScript, React and GraphQL

- Contributed to Polaris – a [design system](#) used by internal and external developers

PROJECTS

[apollo-datasource-mongodb](#): Added type declarations to make the open-source project work with TypeScript

Plots: A flavor of Monopoly Deal as a multiplayer online card game in TypeScript, GraphQL, and React

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo, Bachelor of Computer Science (4B) Sep 2016 – June 2021 (expected)

- Compilers, Type Theory, Networks, Concurrency, Distributed Computing, Security, Cryptography, OS, DB, AI
- Vice President – CS Club (Fall 2019); led Git workshops; mentored at StarterHacks 2019 and 2020