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## I AM

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A multi-disciplinary creator with over **4.5 years of professional experience as a software engineer** who values building products the right way with inclusive collaboration and user-centric design.

## SUMMARY

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Excellent communicator with a high interest in developing user-centric experiences through delightful design and thoughtful interactions. Experienced in frontend development of modern web and desktop apps both in an individual contributor and as a lead stakeholder. Proficient at communicating with stakeholders across different disciplines. Enthusiast of hobbyist game development, game design and various media.

## RELEVANT SKILLS

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**Proficient:** Git, React, TypeScript, Next.js, Node.js, JavaScript, HTML/HTML5, CSS, C#/.dotnet

**Experienced:** Redux, Unity, Godot, Trello, Python, Firebase, Java, Davinci Resolve, Audacity, OBS Studio

**Learning:** FL Studio, TailwindCSS, Unreal Engine 5, Kubernetes, Docker, C++

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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- **Promoted** from entry-level software engineer to **senior-level within 3 years** in a fast-paced start-up environment
  - Highlighted as a **strong and responsive communicator** and **productive contributor** amidst constantly changing requirements and context switching in a cross-functional setting
  - **Ramped up quickly** to own multiple technical areas of existing products
  - Had a **100% intern to full-time conversion rate** when assigned as a mentor
- **Played a lead engineering role** in launching two products
  - **Reduced production time by several weeks** for creating immersive learning CGI content
  - Gathered and iterated requirements while building technical solutions for real-world user needs

## EDUCATION

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**Bachelor of Science in Computer Science:**  
Loyola Marymount University | Los Angeles, CA

GPA 3.51  
May 2019

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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STRIVR, Software Engineer Intern (May 2018 - August 2018)

### STRIVR (May 2019 - January 2024)

*Software Engineer I*

*May 2019 - September 2020*

*Software Engineer II*

*September 2020 - April 2022*

**Senior Software Engineer**

***April 2022 - January 2024***

- Collaborate cross-functionally by working directly with teammates, product managers, and designers.
- **Actively debug, diagnose, and provide solutions for high urgency issues** at a short-notice.
- Maintain clean code through following best practices, providing strong code and design reviews, and by giving **impactful mentorship to junior-level teammates** and peers.
- Make **significant contributions to frontend code** in building web applications that follow modern user design practices optimized for user retention and usability.
- **Significantly reduced user-reported crashing** through building comprehensive testing frameworks, improving test coverage and by coordinating with a QA team for live testing.
- Reduce tribal knowledge by **creating comprehensive design and engineering proposal documents** and supplementing existing documentation where possible.
- Foster an inclusive working culture through respectful and open communication practices.

## RECENT PROJECTS

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### Paperrice (working title) 2024 - Present

- Lead Engineer, Co-designer, and Product Manager for building an online 4 player co-op boss fight experience featuring dedicated servers and fluid gameplay experience. Currently powered by Godot (GDScript), Trello, and Git.

### [Interactive Portfolio](#) 2024 - Present

- An interactive portfolio hosted on the web built in Unity. Dialogue systems powered by Ink, a dialogue framework created by Inkle. Built Next.js with a React frontend and hosted on Vercel.

### [The Law of Attraction](#) 2022

- A charming point-n-click game set in a Victorian-like era with mini-games, and surprise monster dates. Lead programmer, project manager, and game designer, collaborated with both a visual lead and sound lead. Built in Godot for Portland Indie Game Squad's Summer Slow Jam.

### [K'two](#) 2019

- Engineering lead and project manager for a proof-of-concept class-based multiplayer zombie survival game. Made with Unity C# & Unity's high-level networking API for multiplayer.