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## **EDUCATION**

### **Bachelor of Science**

**Computer Science** Georgia Institute of Technology

**Undergraduate Research Assistant** for Dr. Jim Rehg

President of GITMAD mobile application club.

# **WORK HISTORY**

### **FIGMA**

2023

2021

2020

2017

#### 2025 Staff Software Engineer, Frontend Platform

- Working as a core engineer on Figma's frontend platform team, which aims to set core engineering direction for the entire Figma web codebase and supports ~300 product engineers
- Added support for 'code splitting' across the Figma web codebase. This involved:
  - Safely migrating Figma's 100k+ line web codebase to Webpack, including custom plugins and loaders
  - Ensuring that CI and local development performance constraints were met with Webpack
  - Identifying expensive 3rd party libraries within the production bundle and moving them to be dynamically loaded
- Serving as an expert on web build processes, helping product engineers at Figma work through build problems and ship features
- Working on replacing the CSS system used at Figma with a more modern tool, StyleX
- Led an effort to move Figma web deployments to a daily cadence, directly increasing developer velocity. Identified key web metrics that indicated the health of the current web deployement
  - Built a canary system that rolled out the web deployment to a portion of web users
- Managed an intern, who revamped the CI processes that build and deploy the WebAssembly artifacts for Figma.

#### 2023 Staff Software Engineer, FigJam (https://figma.com/figjam)

- Built various product features for the Figma whiteboarding product, FigJam, using both React for the web interface and C++/WebAssembly for the canvas renderer.
  - Built the 'Sections' feature for FigJam, which allows users to organize their whiteboards. This involved implementing many complex interactions, such as copy/paste, re-parenting content, and resize to fit. The foundations of this feature were later used to enhance the authoring experience for Figma prototypes.
  - Added support for rich media in FigJam, such as videos and GIFs.
  - Led an effort to add embeds and 'link previews' to FigJam.
  - Built a Figma Chrome extension, which integrated with Google Calendar to bring Figma and FigJam files into the meeting creation tool
  - Prototyped the first version of the new Figma Slides product and built a foundation for future engineers to ship the product

### **FACEBOOK**

- 2021 Senior Software Engineer, VSCode @ FB
  - Worked on both the OSS VS Code application, as well as building custom extensions for FB use cases
  - Drove performance efforts for 20+ custom extensions, directly improving developer efficiency
  - Made improvements to VS Code's remote development technologies, including changes to the OSS product
  - Managed an intern, who built and launched a custom code-review extension for VS Code
- 2020 Senior Software Engineer, Messenger Desktop (https://messenger.com/desktop) 2019
  - Developed and launched a brand-new Messenger application from the ground up, using Electron

## TOOLKIT

Expert in:

- Web bundler toolchains (Rollup, Webpack, Vite, ESBuild, etc)
- React
- Javascript / Typescript
- HTML / CSS
- WebAssembly
- Web Browsers

### Experienced with:

- Next.JS
- Electron
- Chrome extensions
- C#/.NET
- Ruby
- PHP/Hack

# **INTERESTS**





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technologies

- Served as technical lead for the messaging experience, managing and mentoring 4-5 junior engineers Leveraged both web and native technologies to create an app that looks/feels native on both Mac and Windows
- Served as an accessibility champion for the product, designing accessible experiences from the very beginning
- Served as a performance champion for the product, finding ways to optimize startup and runtime performance
- Managed an intern, who successfully launched the Themes feature for Messenger Desktop
- Launched the app in April 2020, gaining 2-3M daily users in 6 months

### **MICROSOFT**

2019 Software Engineer II, Azure DevOps (https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/devops)

- Developed modern UI experiences for Agile processes in Azure Boards. Used React, Redux, and Typescript
  - Took initiative on many engineering projects, including:

• Modernizing our front-end state management with Redux. Led workshops to teach engineers how to leverage this tool effectively and convinced management to adopt it in all our new features.

- Published Redux Dynamic Modules, a module system for Redux (http://bit.ly/redux-modules)
- Built and shipped a mobile Pull Requests experience (https://bit.ly/devops-mobile)
- Built complex UI components, including a Kanban Board with smooth and performant drag and drop experience.
- Serving as "Accessibility Champ", ensuring that shipped features are fully keyboard and screen-reader accessible.
- Made cross-project contributions, including improvements to shared React components and platforms

# **PROJECTS**

**Redux Dynamic Modules** - Published Microsoft OSS library to codesplit Redux Artifacts

Redux Saga Devtools - Chrome extension to debug Redux Saga

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