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Being a developer is far more than a career to me—it's a personal journey of addressing real-world challenges through innovative technology. I've dedicated over eight years to mobile development, including a pivotal year spent on my dissertation project during university. I've faced significant challenges along the way, such as stepping into a lead role within six months of graduating and working hand-in-hand with stakeholders to transform ideas into tangible products. Each application I've overseen and developed has been a chapter in my ongoing story of growth and passion for technology.

- Crypto.com Main App
- <u>LADbible Video</u> (Sole developer)
- MyProtein
- LookFantastic
- Other THG brands including: Zavvi, PoplnABox, AllSole,
- <u>Wakelet</u>(Engineering Manager for both iOS and Android Applications)
- Social Prescribing Software for the NHS
- Locum Rota System

Outside of the office I try to keep myself sharp either by learning to work with new technology, most recently in the AI space, working with large language models and multi-agent architecture to develop a coding assistant.

I am highly organised and motivated, I take great pride in every piece of work I create. These attributes allow me to make sure every piece of code I produce is to the best of my capabilities. I understand how to communicate with clients to find out their needs and requirements while guaranteeing they feel confident with the end result.

Skills

- Strong understanding of Apple libraries including UIKit, Security and CryptoKit
- Ability to communicate with stakeholders
- Knowledge of different programming architectures: MVVM, MVC, Viper
- Strong understanding of the development lifecycle from conceptualisation to release.
- · Leadership and mentorship.

Technologies

- · Swift, SwiftUI, Objective C, Kotlin, Jetpack Compose, Java
- React/React-native, Javascript, NodeJs, Typescript, GraphQL
- HTML, CSS
- SQL, Realm, MongoDb, DynamoDB
- Python

Experience

JANUARY 2023 - Present

Contractor / KMTComputing Ltd, Manchester ·

Upon leaving Crypto.com early 2023, I started my own software consultancy. We picked up a couple of contracts with the NHS and a medical technology company in the United states. Due to current projects coming to an end, I am open to new contracts or return to full time work.

- Architecting multiple applications both frontend and backend. Applications across iOS, Android and Web.
- Working with frontend technologies such as Swift, SwiftUI, Kotlin, Jetpack Compose and React
- Working with backend technologies written in nodejs using a serverless architecture in AWS.
- Working with clients to make sure the products being delivered were right for the user while being fit for purpose.

JANUARY 2022 - January 2023

Senior iOS Developer / Crypto.com, Manchester ·

I have been working at Crypto.com since January. Upon my arrival to the company I began working on a security project to verify client requests to the API. After working on this I was tasked with a couple of other developers to form a platform team. Within this team we have been working on the overall architecture of the application including Modularization.

- Working with a team of 5 engineers to re-architect and refactor the app.
- Running A/B Tests for our refactored code to mitigate risk
- Working with CryptoKit and the Apple Security framework
- Working with SwiftUI to rebuild certain views in the application

JANUARY 2021 - December 2021

Mobile Engineering Manager / Wakelet, Manchester ·

In January, I was promoted to engineering manager for the mobile team, This brought new challenges to my role which I have thoroughly enjoyed. I have 1:1's with my team twice a month to make sure any issues are surfaced as soon as possible. I act as a buffer between the team and the rest of the business, this allows the team to focus and have less distractions. I should add, this is by the engineers choice, I am very open about any business decisions.

- Looking after a team of 3 engineers, 1 iOS, 2 Android.
- Creating a react native proof of concept with a view to be used as part of a hybrid application
- Preparing weekly progress reports for the team.

- Communication with key stakeholders and externals.
- Interviewing prospective engineers.

JUNE 2020 - JANUARY 2021

Senior Mobile Developer / Wakelet, Manchester ·

Upon joining Wakelet I was immediately tasked with rewriting the iOS app in swift. The existing app was written in ObjectiveC by a sole developer and was in need of modernization. We undertook this project and completed it in around 4 months. I then began to work closely with the product and marketing team to come up with a plan on how we could gain some traction and improve retention on our mobile platform. My day to day involved

- Looking after a team of 3 engineers, 1 iOS, 2 Android.
- Creating a react native proof of concept with a view to be used as part of a hybrid application
- Communicating with other departments to ensure we were all aligned.
- Acting as scrum master, running retros, sprint planning and 3 amigos.
- Replacing the web experience with a fully native experience.
- Interviewing prospective engineers.

OCTOBER 2019 - JUNE 2020

Senior Apps Developer / The Hut Group, Manchester ·

During my time at The Hut Group I mentored a small team(1 Grad, 1 Mid) and we released the first set of white label applications which went smoothly. I acted as the lead of the project and communicated with different stakeholders throughout the company to ensure clarity and made sure nothing got lost in translation.

- Leading a team of engineers in creating a white label experience.
- Architecting solutions to problems in the ecommerce industry.
- Acting as scrum master, running retros, sprint planning and 3 amigos.
- Building and deploying multiple Ecommerce applications
- Replacing the web experience with a fully native experience. (React native)
- Interviewing prospective engineers.

JANUARY2018 - OCTOBER 2019

Mobile Software Engineer / LADbible Group, Manchester

- Building 2 new video platforms for iOS.
- Architecting one of said apps from the ground up.
- Working to recreate the existing editorial app in React Native
- Running Sprint planning meetings and retros
- Leading an presentations and demo to stakeholders and other members of the company Conceptualising and implementing new features.
- Mentoring a junior iOS developer.

JUNE 2017 – JANUARY 2018

Junior Software Engineer / LADbible Group, Manchester ·

Working across two iOS applications and one web application

- Working in sprints in an agile scrum environment
- Running Sprint planning meetings and retros
- · Conceptualising and building new features

DECEMBER 2016 – JUNE 2017

Website Maintenance / Bolton GP Federation ·

Maintaining a Wordpress site

- Design and create new pages on the site
- · Communicating directly with client

Education

2014-2017

Computer Science BSc / Bangor University, North Wales

I achieved a 1st class degree in computer science from Bangor University. During my time there I gained time management skills, studied a large variety of modules and grew as an individual in many aspects.

Personal Project

I work on multiple projects in my downtime. I developed and released a game called Bumper Blast for the iPhone in 8 days just before Christmas 2018. I created an IOS application for my 3rd year dissertation project at university. The application was created in

Swift 3. I also developed the back end including the database and the API. The API was created using PHP and the database was implemented using MySQL. More information is available upon request.

Activities

I am a keen musician, spending time making music with my band is one of my main hobbies. We perform around the Manchester area and are currently working on our first Studio EP