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# **Technical Skills**

- Programming Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, C/C++, C#, Java, Golang,
- Web Technologies: **React.js**, HTML5, CSS, Node.js, **Ant Design**, moment.js
- Game Development: Unity, Unreal Engine, SDL
- Database & Tools: MongoDB, SQL, Git, VS Code, Visual Studio
- Security & Infra Tools: Scapy, GDB, Wireshark, Vagrant, Metasploit, Terraform, AWS CLI

# **Technical Experience**

#### JavaScript Developer Co-op

Semios

Jan 2022 – Aug 2022

- Built and maintained **React** components following **Agile** methodologies, ensuring consistent delivery quality.
- Built reusable UI components using **Ant Design** library, implementing features like **data tables**, forms, and **interactive map interfaces**.
- Resolved front-end bugs and implemented UI/UX improvements through effective collaboration with **QA team**.
- Enhanced application functionality by implementing robust **form validation**, content sorting, and date/time management using **moment.js**.

#### Web Developer

Bluvec Technologies Inc.

Sep 2021 - Dec 2021

- Developed company's landing page using **React**, ensuring responsive design and brand consistency.
- Implemented automated testing suite using **Golang** to improve code reliability.
- Built automated image management system using GoCV for timestamp processing and file cleanup.

# **Technical Projects**

#### **TCP Network Attack Simulation**

Python, Scapy, Vagrant, GDB

April 2025

- Simulated and evaluated TCP-layer attacks in a 3-node virtual network using Vagrant.
- Launched a TCP SYN flood to exhaust server backlog and observed mitigation via SYN cookies.
- Executed a **TCP RST injection** to forcibly terminate active Telnet/SSH sessions.
- Crafted spoofed packets to **hijack Telnet sessions**, inject shell commands, and validate impact via packet capture and file system changes.

# **ROP Exploitation**

# C, Python, GDB, ROPgadget

Mar 2025

- Developed and tested **ROP** chains against a custom x64 Linux binary with **NX** protection enabled and **ASLR** disabled.
- Used **GDB** and **ROPgadget** to locate gadgets and construct precise exploit payloads, including handling register constraints and gadget chaining.
- Wrote Python scripts to automate ROP payload generation and gadget chaining using offsets from libc.

#### **PrediQL**

#### Python, GraphQL, Ollama

**Sep 2024 – Dec 2024** 

- Developed an AI-assisted fuzzing pipeline targeting **GraphQL endpoint vulnerabilities** such as **SQL Injection**, **DoS**, and batching attacks.
- Designed Python scripts to automate LLaMA-based query generation via Ollama.
- Converted LLaMA outputs into structured JSON payloads and used them to test GraphQL APIs, iteratively refining queries based on error responses.

- **BLE Pairing Simulation:** Implemented the Just Works pairing method, validating implementation using Bluetooth specification samples.
- Legacy Pairing Analysis: Simulated the Passkey Entry pairing process, exposed vulnerabilities via a brute force attack.
- Bluetooth Mesh Provisioning: Implemented provisioning protocols for secure network key distribution and designed advanced attacks, including a reflection attack and a malleable commitment attack based on research findings, to exploit vulnerabilities.

#### **Cloud Infrastructure Deployment**

#### EC2, VPC, IAM, DynamoDB

Nov 2024

- Deployed a secure VPC network on AWS using the web console, including public/private subnets, Internet Gateway, NAT Gateway, Route Tables, and Security Groups.
- Launched EC2 instances and configured a Node.js web server accessible on port 8081.
- Created and managed IAM users, groups, and roles, applying the principle of least privilege.
- Built a **DynamoDB** table and securely connected it to EC2 via role-based permissions.
- Implemented **Elastic IPs** and studied their behavior on instance restarts.

#### **Automation with Terraform**

# EC2, VPC, IAM, Terraform

Nov 2024

- Created the cloud infrastructure using **Terraform**
- Defined and provisioned VPC, subnets (public/private), Internet Gateway, NAT Gateway, Route tables and Security Groups with custom rules.
- Used **Terraform Data Sources** to fetch AMIs and deployed EC2 instances in different subnets with appropriate access levels.
- Validated connectivity using **SSH jump** host and tested internet access configurations from private subnet instances.

# **Serverless API Development**

#### **AWS Lambda**

Nov 2024

- Built a serverless REST API using AWS Lambda and API Gateway, eliminating the need for EC2 servers.
- Developed a Lambda function to support both GET and POST requests for a comment system.
- Secured the POST endpoint via AWS Cognito, implementing JWT-based authorization.
- Validated API with Postman, tested user-based access control, and discussed **JWT tamper-resistance mechanisms**.

#### **Eggly Buddy**

#### C++, OpenGL, ECS Framework

Sep 2023 – Dec 2023

- Programmed interactive elements using C++, enabling in-game pet mechanics and mini-games.
- Implemented visual effects using custom shaders, including dynamic parallax background and animations.
- Developed save/load system using **nlohmann/json** library for persistent game state.

#### Swag the North

Unity, C#

Sep 2023

- Top 12 Finalist out of 200+ projects in Hack the North.
- Spearheaded development of an immersive game using **Unity** and **C#**, featuring innovative swag collection mechanics.
- Implemented core gameplay systems including player controls, item spawning, and scene management.
- Led version control workflow and mentored team members in Git best practices.

#### **Locative Audio**

Unity, C#

Jan 2023 – Apr 2023

- Developed a **GPS-based** mobile app that lets users discover Vancouver's cultural audio content at specific locations.
- Built an efficient content management system using XML data structure and integrated AR Foundation for image detection.
- Created an interactive map interface with iGUI featuring custom camera controls and smooth user navigation.

#### **FREN**

# React, JavaScript, MongoDB, Express, Redux

Jun 2021 – Aug 2021

- Built a social networking app with user recommendation system and real-time chat functionality.
- Implemented **Redux** state management and routing for seamless user experience.
- Developed responsive chat interface with **custom pop-up components** for friend recommendations.

# **Education**

Vancouver, BC

**Simon Fraser University** 

Sep 2024 – Present

• Master's in Professional Computer Science (Focus: Cybersecurity)

Vancouver, BC

**University of British Columbia** 

Sep 2018 – May 2024

• Graduated with a BS in Computer Science, with Distinction