Sasitha Sonnadara

(He/Him)

Skilled and field-tested Full-Stack Engineer with strong frontend expertise, and a deep-seated passion for AI and ML

Skills

Programming Languages

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JavaScript, TypeScirpt, ES6 HTML,CSS, Sass, C#

Libraries & Frameworks

React, Next.js, Redux, React Native, NodeJS, Express, .Net Core, Mocha, Blazor

Tools & Platforms

Git, Docker, Yarn, Webpack, ESLint, Azure, Azure Pipelines, AWS, Storybook, Figma, IntelliJ, Github Copilot

Education

University of Moratuwa, Faculty of Engineering

Bachelor of Science of Engineering (Honours)

May 2012 - Apr 2017

Field of Specialization:

Computer Science and Engineering

GPA: 3.42

Publications

How the (p)react's render() and diff() works and implemented

2020

Medium article on in depth look into (P)react's render and diffing mechanisms.

Relevant Experience

Tally Group, Melbourne, AU

Full-stack Developer

Feb 2020 - Present

- Architected and developed a white-labelled, cross-platform mobile app solution for electricity users, providing usage statistics, insights, and user transactions. This solution was implemented in the "On by EnergyAustralia" mobile app.
- Designed and implemented data warehousing pipelines for the "On by EnergyAustralia" platform, integrating 3rd party data using AWS technologies.
- Developed backend processes to do Billing Reconciliation and Settlements for Commercial and Industrial energy retailers.
- Contributed to the development of the EnergyAustralia Large Business Portal, including progressive purchasing and site management capabilities.
- Developed new energy plan segments on Energy Australia's digital innovation platform.
- Managed an offshore team to handle outsourcing work on a white-labelled telco platform which is used by several Australian telco retailers.
- Setup CICD pipelines for the projects using Azure pipelines are ARM templates.
- Engaged in client-facing activities, including meetings, preparation of Statements of Work (SOWs), and client demos.

Ventrek Innovations, Colombo, SL

Co-founder

Feb 2020 - Apr 2022

- Co-founded a company to provide software engineering resources to an Australian client during a COVID-induced resource freeze.
- Served as the primary Technical Lead, managing a team of 4 Engineers and ensuring efficient operations.
- Successfully delivered a comprehensive digital suite for a Tier 1
 Commercial & Industrial energy retailer, meeting the client's strict deadline.

Sysco Labs, Colombo, SL

Software Engineer

Mar 2017 - Jan 2020

Software Engineer Intern

Oct 2015 - Apr 2016

- Full-stack development of report segments in "Enterprise Reports" cloud platform (SPA) which is a data-heavy reporting tool with granular metrics filtering, data comparative features and report exports.
- Designed and developed "Document Generator API" microservice for generating exportable documents in PDF and excel formats which is used by multiple products inside.
- Full-stack development of "CAKE Shop" which is the e-commerce portal
 of the company where customers can buy or lease CAKE POS
 (point-of-sale) devices and services.
- Held the ownership of "CAKE Shop" and "DocumentGenerator API" components and provided production support when necessary.
- Contributed to automating CI/CD pipeline of the organization using build pipelines, containerisation and AWS ECS.
- Mentored and supervised intern software engineers and new team members to achieve the project goals swiftly.
- Developed the EducateLanka charity foundation web platform with modern fundraising and portfolio advertising methods using MERN stack as a replacement for the legacy platform.
- Got hands-on experience in Scrum Framework and Agile Methodology.

Moraspirit Initiative, SL (Volunteer)

Head of Web & Technology

Jan 2016 - Jan 2017

Web Developer

Oct 2015 - Apr 2016

- Led a 4-member team of web developers and content managers.
- Supervised and contributed to the design, development, and launch of the "Moraspirit" mobile application, providing news and live scores for university-level sporting events.
- Conducted training sessions for developers on new technologies.
- Participated in the recruitment process, including conducting interviews.
- Designed and developed a white-label web platform for publishing university sports news, live scores, and live events.
- Managed the organisation's Content Management System (CMS).

Selected Projects

On by EnergyAustralia Mobile App

Developed a customer-centric mobile application using React Native for both Android and iOS. The app provides On by EnergyAustralia customers self-service capabilities and live chat with customer support.

On by EnergyAustralia Customer Portal

Developed a web portal using React and Next.js, offering On by EnergyAustralia customers self-service capabilities, energy usage monitoring, and personalised insights.

Sinhala OCR ML Model

Created a machine learning model using Caffe and Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) based on LeNet for the identification of Sinhala characters.

WireMe - IoT Development platform for Everyone

2017

The research paper was based on the work of the final year project named same and published at IEEE.

Awards

Moratuwa Engineering Research Conference

Best Paper Award

2017

Received for "WireMe - IoT Development Platform for Everyone" paper in Software Engineering track.

SLASSCOM Innovation Awards

Best Innovation in Internal Process

2019

Became runners up in this category for the "Minuteman - Automated Release Pipeline" project.

Interests

Astronomy & Astrophotography, Running, Role Playing Games, AI Tinkering, Sci-Fi Media, DIY