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OBJECTIVE:

Secure a leadership or senior contributor role in the trading, technology, or operations vertical of a growing technology company that will leverage my experience in financial markets, risk management, scalable software engineering, operational devops, technology management, and automated trade development.

EXPERIENCE:

Operating Systems: RHEL 7, CentOS 7/Stream 8/9, Ubuntu LTS 18.04-22.04, MacOS X, Win 3.1 – 2022, UNIX Languages: Python 2/3, Perl 4/5, PHP, Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, bash, ksh, VBA, VB, C, C++, Java

Database Systems: PostgreSQL 9-12, MySQL, MS SQL, MariaDB, Sybase, Oracle

Trading Platforms: TT, ION, Orc, TradingScreen, proprietary (CogCap's and my own digital assets platform)

Market Data: Xignite, Bloomberg, ICE, CQG, Reuters, TradingScreen, FactSet, ...

Hardware: HPE ProLiant 360p/380/580, Dell Precision/OptiPlex/MacBook..., Cisco Catalyst

AI/ML: ChatGPT Plus

Asset Classes/Exchanges:

Futures: STIRs (Eurodollars, Euribor, Short Sterling), Treasury/Commodity/Equity/Currency

Options: Indices, Index Futures, Single Stocks, Commodities, Crypto (BTC and ETH)

Equities: Stocks (NYSE/Nasdaq/BATS/IEX/LSE/Deutsche Börse/Euronext/TMX/TSE/...)

Digital: Crypto (Kraken/Binance/Crypto.com/Coinbase/Bittrex/OKEx/Liquid/EtherFlyer/FTX US/...)

EMPLOYMENT:

Digital Asset Management Group, Chicago, IL Chief Technology Officer / Director of Algorithmic Trading

Mar 2020 – Aug 2021 / Sep 2022 – present Mar 2020 – Aug 2021 / Sep 2022 – present

- Designed and built hardware and software infrastructure from the ground up, including on-prem data center.
- Developed, debugged, and tested HFT algorithms, robustly driving up to \$10MM of spot trading per day.
- Recruited and managed talented and enthusiastic systems/network/data/software engineers, traders, and interns.
- Contributed content and analysis for venture capital and client-facing documents and communications.

Chicago Trading Company, Chicago, IL Trade Support Operations Site Reliability Engineer

Aug 2021 – Sep 2022 Aug 2021 – Sep 2022

- Reviewed, approved, scheduled, configured, facilitated, and validated more of the highest impact production software releases than anyone else at the 600-person firm.
- Triaged rollbacks and fixes for releases and configuration changes during a very tight maintenance window.
- Orchestrated major migrations, requiring complex configuration changes and significant attention to detail.
- Trained teammates as well as developers, quants, and project managers on workflow efficiencies and best practices.
- Developed shell scripts for common tasks.

Cognitive Capital, L.L.C, Chicago, IL Senior Trade Desk Operator

Jun 2011 – Feb 2020 Nov 2014 – Feb 2020

- Created, refined, and documented daily checklists and procedures to ensure a very high level of confidence in both the automated trade desk systems and the data they use.
- Monitor trading system for North American equities, futures, and fixed-income desk.
- Escalated risk concerns, abnormal system behavior, reported output, or data quality to Firm Risk Manager, Portfolio Managers, DevOps, and Software Engineers.
- Leveraged production PostgreSQL database system to modify trading parameters upon request.
- Developed Perl and Python scripts, functions, modules, and Ruby on Rails web reports to automate existing manual operations performed for trading execution and data analysis.

Senior Trade Desk Operator

Jun 2011 - Nov 2014

- Provided all supervision and execution of Trade Desk Operations for European trading hours.
- Facilitated risk and development escalation per documented procedures and thresholds.
- Refined and improved European Trade Desk checklists and procedures.
- Developed Perl scripts and Ruby on Rails web reports to interact with PostgreSQL and MySQL databases for more robust, automated operations.

TransMarket Group, L.L.C, Chicago, IL Trading Risk Manager

Jun 2008 - May 2011 Mar 2010 - May 2011

- Defined and enforced risk procedures for all new algorithmic trades being developed, deployed, and executed throughout TMG North America; monitored execution of algorithmic trades and instructed on proper execution.
- Monitored real-time and EOD PNL for TMG North America, advising trading teams on ways to minimize
 exposure and informing both the Chairman and the CEO of potentially hazardous positions and portfolios.
- Automated an EOD system to calculate and summarize trader PNL, cash on hand, and margin requirements for individual traders and the firm as a whole.
- Acted as the Tier 1 support representative for all TMG executives, providing them with immediate solutions to high-risk trading scenarios.

Trading and Technology Project Manager

Jun 2009 - Mar 2010

- Acted as the primary liaison between traders, software developers, systems engineers, IT support, international offices, and senior management.
- Trained all new hires on the fundamentals of interest rate trading, hedging techniques, and basic risk management.
- Created development specifications and design prototypes for semi-automated, algorithmic trading strategies.
- Managed development efforts, beta testing, configuration, and deployment of grey-box trading solutions.

Trade Support Analyst

Jun 2008 – May 2009

- Employed well-tuned problem-solving skills to provide technology solutions in a fast-paced trading environment.
- Quickly became the foremost expert at TMG on the ION MMI.net trading platform, various custom Excel sheets, and other trading technologies such as TT AutoTrader and ION AutoQuoter.
- Served as the Chairman's and the CEO's first line of defense for any technology or troubleshooting needs.

Banc of America Securities / Bank of America Corporation, Chicago, IL Global Markets Sales and Trading Technology Analyst

Jan 2005 - Jun 2008 Jan 2005 - Jun 2008

- Worked on a high-priority Risk Management project developing daily loaders for FX, Commodities and Equities.
- Created a new system to pull international options pricing from Reuters and load it into a SQL Server database.
- Migrated a financial guery system from legacy CGI scripts to JSP site by developing T-SQL stored procedures.
- Provide a point of contact for internal clients and external sources, communicating problems and statuses.
- Support trading desks by both manually and programmatically loading Treasury pricing to Sybase and MIM.
- Ensure reliable operation and data flow from external pricing sources to FO traders, strategists, and MO analysts.
- Develop new Perl scripts and modify existing KSH scripts to accommodate new Treasury and MBS data needs.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Software Engineering Co-op, TRW Automotive, Livonia, MI
Inventory Control Assistant, Spirit Airlines Inc., Romulus, MI
Information Technology Systems Intern, DTE Energy Corporation, Detroit, MI
Software Engineering Intern, Microsoft Corporation, Southfield, MI

Fall 2003 / Summer 2004 Summer 2002 Summer 2001 Summer 2000

EDUCATION:

University of Michigan College of Engineering, Ann Arbor, MI

• BSE in Computer Science and Engineering

Graduated December 2004