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Summary

- Experienced Team Lead with a strong background in software development (10+ years) and team leadership (3+ years), currently serving in a de facto Software Engineering Manager capacity.
- Skilled in mentoring developers, managing project lifecycles, and aligning technology solutions with business goals.
- Seeking a Software Engineering Manager role to formalize leadership responsibilities and leverage technical expertise.

Education

Master of Science in Computers and Information Science

Purdue University, Indiana

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering

Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad, India

Professional Experience

Senior Web Software Engineer 3, Feb 2018 – Present

ALSAC St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN

- **Built and Led High-Performing Cross-Functional Team:** Transformed a team of 5 engineers into a cross-functional team of Back/Front-end Engineers, QA analysts, UX strategists, BA, PO, and SM. Successfully guided the team through full project lifecycles, delivering ALSAC's Constituent Identity and Access Management (IAM) solution using OKTA while ensuring alignment with business objectives and timely delivery.
- **Successfully Implemented Multiple Applications:** Integrated 3 out of 14 end user facing applications into the IAM solution, managing diverse teams, timelines, downtimes, and data migrations. Collaborated with product managers to prioritize features, manage roadmaps, and drive high-quality delivery of CIAM and CCPM solutions, leveraging OKTA and One Trust platforms.
- **Drove Business Growth through Innovation:** Expanded product team's scope by managing IAM solution and bringing in multiple projects, including user cookie consent and preference management, increasing team's value and impact.

- **Implemented User Cookie Consent and Preference Management:** Led initiatives to implement and manage user cookie consent and preference management using One Trust Consent Management Platform, ensuring compliance and transparency.
- **Mentorship and Talent Development:** Mentored and coached team members, providing regular performance feedback, growth opportunities, and delegating responsibilities to foster senior developers and leaders.

Web Application Developer / Programmer Analyst, Aug 2015 – Feb 2018

Infomerica Inc, Cary, NC

- **Core Development Team Member:** Played a key role in Infomerica's Software Development and Systems Integration team, delivering projects for multiple clients in a fast-paced environment.
- **Large-Scale Project Leadership:** Led multiple projects to production, integrating new front-end technologies such as JavaScript testing frameworks, CSS preprocessors, and build tools. Advocated for rapid prototyping and iterative design processes to drive innovation and efficiency.
- **AEM Expertise:** Created custom components and templates for Adobe Experience Manager (CMS), leveraging data-driven decisions to optimize web content and performance. Served as lead UI developer for AEM, Adobe Target, and Adobe Launch.
- **Performance Optimization:** Spearheaded efforts to improve application performance, ensuring overall health and reliability.
- **Standardization and Knowledge Sharing:** Organized and led workshops with UI developers to standardize code standards, code review processes, and roadmaps, promoting best practices and collaboration.
- **Innovation and Recognition:** Won an organization-wide IT hackathon, competing against 150 teams and demonstrating technical expertise and creativity.

Skills

- **Leadership & Team Building:** Conflict resolution, mentoring developers, managing team dynamics, fostering cross-functional collaboration, Stakeholder management.
- **Project Management:** Agile, Scrum, roadmap planning, sprint management, task management, prioritization, delegation, scheduling, release and change management.
- **Frameworks:** ReactJS, Redux, AngularJS, NodeJS
- **Build Tools and Package Managers:** Maven, Gulp, Webpack, Babel, Npm, Yarn
- **Design Tools:** Sketch, Axure
- **Test Tools:** Jest, Mocha, Selenium, Karma

- IAM: OKTA Auth JS SDK, OAuth 2.0, SAML, OIDC, SCIM, session and token management, managing user profile data
- Adobe: Adobe Target, Adobe Launch, Adobe Experience Manager, Adobe Dynamic Tag Manager, AEM SP 22, AEM cloud, OSGI services, HTL, sling models, editable templates, experience fragments, cq dialogs, Java models, Sightly/HTML, JavaScript clientlibs, environment specific configurations files, Adobe DTM, Adobe IMS, AEM DAM, AEM author/publisher/dispatcher configurations, Edge Delivery Service.
- Application Monitoring: ScienceLogic, LogRhythm, Adobe Analytics, OKTA, Sentry, Neustar/Vercara, other WPM tools.
- CI/CD: Cloudbees Jenkins, Bamboo
- Web Technologies: JavaScript, JavaScript ES5 & ES6, TypeScript, jQuery, HTML5, Kit, Java, JSP, Python, CSS3, SASS, REST, SQL, GraphQL, AJAX, JSON, GIT, SVN, AWS, Ansible, Docker, Confluent Kafka, OpenShift, MuleSoft, Firebase, Google Domains, Spark, Elastic, MapReduce.

Certifications & Courses

- Tech Management: Succeeding as a First-Time Tech Manager
 - https://www.linkedin.com/learning/certificates/180486f6763b1344d2c8d306a2c92f792cd1957e7a34b5d593641d97e92ce1e8?trk=share_certificate
 - Completed March 12, 2025
- Digital Marketing: Digital Marketing Foundations
 - https://www.linkedin.com/learning/certificates/6e156f5a50c894491dbe5f2e731454d1f8c1197bf54ce2fa385e36bd4781d29b?trk=share_certificate
 - Completed March 17, 2025
- Engineering Management: Tech Career Skills: Moving from Developer to Engineering Manager
 - https://www.linkedin.com/learning/certificates/f582ec5a550cfc50c690cfd1afd697257ab150c9e2249021606ca6fafa82ca7c?trk=share_certificate
 - Completed March 20, 2025
- Identity Access Management: IAM Fundamentals with Okta
 - https://www.linkedin.com/learning/certificates/cb685aacd88a1d8eef7a97ed9148fb9d0fab3ba5b2aa652f2491f3e02a7dd496?trk=share_certificate
 - Completed April 30, 2025
- Data Operations: Using AI to Improve Ops for Your Data Organization
 - https://www.linkedin.com/learning/certificates/1e7c96b493182b89a3362f2f80c9d952c1b4de21367c84b5bde697ff58f49e0?trk=share_certificate
 - Completed April 30, 2025