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Dan Bridges

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Frontend-focused software developer with strong Node.js experience and shipping production features in large, complex codebases. Regularly takes ownership of systems, improves performance, and delivers independently with minimal supervision.

Work Experience

Product DeveloperDeptDec 2023-PresenteBay

- Primary developer on an Al-driven email content generation system using LangChain, owning architecture and day-to-day development. Led LangChain upgrades and designed a conversational interface used to generate and refine content.
- Reduced CI pipeline runtime by more than 80% by implementing parallelisation of unit tests, dramatically improving developer feedback loops across the team.
- Primary contributor to a new email content builder feature which enabled simultaneous editing of email modules, from early development through to production delivery.
- Migrated a legacy Backbone.js application to React, improving maintainability and developer velocity.
- Built a proof-of-concept Figma plugin to parse designs and upload content directly into the content builder application, reducing manual content entry and design-to-build friction.

Junior Product Developer

Dept

Mar 2021 - Dec 2023

Internal tools, eBay

- Improved application performance by optimising caching strategies and reducing redundant network requests.
- Implemented lazy-loading to ensure DOM content was only rendered when needed, reducing page load times and improving usability.
- Worked on internal tooling used across the organisation, with a focus on frontend performance and usability.
- Built small, efficiency-boosting apps including a UTM link builder and dark mode accessibility checker for email clients.

Frontend Developer Freelance 2020–2021

 Delivered small frontend projects end-to-end while self-teaching modern web development, handling requirements, implementation, and iteration based on feedback.

Tour Consultant Manchester Sightseeing 2018 - 2019

- Managed the company website and booking systems.
- Worked directly with clients and led groups, responsible for logistics and customer experience.

Technologies and Languages

Languages: Javascript, Typescript

• Frontend: React, MobX, Material UI, Tailwind

Backend: Node.js, GraphQL, Apollo, LangChain, LangGraph
Testing: Jest, Cypress, Mocha, Enzyme, Testing Library

Tools: Git, Jira, Figma

Education

•	MA Classics (Distinction), University of Liverpool	2014-2015
•	BA Classics (First Class), University of Liverpool	2011-2014

Interests

- Brew my own beer just like software development, it is iterating and improving a process
- Run in the Peak District with my rescued spaniel