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#### **PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY**

Software professional with 2+ years of experience in building scalable, highly available fintech and backend systems. Specialized in designing high-availability systems and RESTful APIs that process millions of financial transactions. Proven track record of maintaining 99.999% system uptime, reducing security incidents, and improving operational efficiency through robust architecture design and modern development practices including TDD and CI/CD.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# Software/DevOps Engineer - Freelance on Upwork *Upwork*

December 2023 – Present

Remote

- Developed and integrated APIs, including a custom SMS service using Africa's Talking API and a real-time notification system, enhancing user engagement.
- Worked on setting up continuous integration and deployment pipelines on GitHub, automating tests, and ensuring streamlined deployments for client projects.

#### Software Solution Architect - Fintech

December 2023 - December 2024

#### Huawei Technologies

Nairobi, Kenya

- Designed and deployed scalable architectures for mobile money and digital finance platforms (VOOMA, M-PESA, Cashia, ZIDII) serving millions of users
- Improved project efficiency through implementation of Acceptance Test Plans to validate solutions designed
- Reduced integration errors by implementing robust architectural patterns and documentation
- Enhanced development velocity through optimization of agile practices and sprint planning
- Drafted functional requirement specifications (FRS), configuration requirement documents and Acceptance
  Test Plans for system functionalities
- Coordinated with cross-functional teams to ensure successful system integrations deployment of new features to the production environment

### Software Service Engineer – Infrastructure

**July 2023 – December 2023** 

Huawei Technologies

Nairobi, Kenya

- Maintained critical overdraft system with 99.999% uptime through proactive monitoring and optimization
- Reduced security incidents by 2% through implementation of enhanced security measures
- Improved operational efficiency through data-driven system optimizations
- Implemented automated monitoring and alerting systems for early incident detection
- Enhanced system security through regular updates and threat analysis

## Backend Software Engineer (Part-time)

September 2023 – September 2024

Zuyu

London, UK(Remote)

- Developed secure authentication APIs using MERN (MongoDB, Express.js, React and Node.js) stack with TypeScript to handle millions of requests
- Implemented role-based access control system enhancing platform security and improving compliance
- Optimized API performance through caching strategies and database query optimization
- Collaborated with frontend team to ensure seamless integration with backend authentication system
- Participated in code reviews and technical design discussions to ensure best practices

#### Data Analyst (Intern)

June 2021 – August 2021

#### Shining Hope For Communities(SHOFCO)

Nairobi, Kenya

- Automated data processing and reporting using Python, generating over 300 reports to optimize COVID-19 vaccination strategies.
- Analyzed data trends to support decision-making, contributing to a 2% increase in vaccination rates through data-driven insights
- Streamlined report generation through process automation

#### **EDUCATION**

#### **Software Engineering**

#### ALX-Africa(Holberton School)

**August 2022 – August 2023** 

Nairobi, Kenya

- Intensive 12-month software engineering program (70 hours/week)
- Focus:: Low-Level Programming, High-Level Programming, DevOps

### BSc. Mathematics and Computer Science

**September 2018 – July 2023** 

Nairobi, Kenya

- Kenyatta University
- Major: Applied Mathematics and Computer Science
- Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra, Numerical Analysis, Discrete Mathematics, Object-Oriented, Programming, Database Systems, Computer Networks, Human-Computer Interaction, Neural Networks.

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Programming Languages: Python, TypeScript, JavaScript, C, Bash
- Backend Frameworks: Node.js, Express.js, NestJS, Flask, FastAPI
- Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis
- Machine Learning: TensorFlow, PyTorch, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Seaborn, MLOps
- DevOps & Tools: Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, Jenkins, GitHub Actions
- Testing & Quality: Unit Testing, TDD, Integration Testing, CI/CD
- Architecture: REST APIs, Microservices, Event-Driven Design
- Security: OAuth2, JWT, RBAC, API Security
- Version Control: Git, GitHub

#### **NOTABLE PROJECTS:**

#### Shell in C | Systems Programming

- Developed UNIX command interpreter in C
- Implemented process management and command execution
- Featured file I/O handling and environment variable management

#### Airbnb Clone | Full-Stack Application

- Built complete platform with user authentication and booking system
- Implemented RESTful APIs and database management
- Technologies: Python, Flask, SQLAlchemy, JavaScript

#### Raycasting Engine | Graphics Programming

- Created raycasting engine in C with real-time rendering
- Implemented collision detection and spatial algorithms
- Optimized performance for smooth gameplay

#### **REFERENCES:**

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