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Summary

- Objective: Obtain a challenging engineering manager position to develop a team into an effective, proactive unit and achieve corporate objectives in a growing company
- Demonstrated ability to lead the team in completing projects with high quality in deadline-oriented environments
- Communicate and coordinate with other teams to solve puzzling production problems
- Experienced engineering manager with 15 years of web development experience from coordinating initial design to leading launches to assigning tasks related to maintenance and enhancement of high traffic properties

Experience

Engineering Manager,   December 2009 – Present
Yahoo!, Sunnyvale & Bangalore   *(7+ years)*

I worked on a number of platforms (Messenger, Y20, Lego) and properties at Yahoo! (such as News, Digital Magazines, Shine, Travel, Autos) as they evolved over the years. During this time, I led teams developing platforms from scratch, setup new properties, migrate existing properties to new platforms, maintain and enhance properties as well as build horizontal features to be used on multiple properties.

Most recently, I manage the Yahoo Messenger team of 5 engineers. Responsibilities include roadmap, planning, hiring, team management, delivery, employee development, mentoring and coaching. The product is based on Node.js and React using a continuous integration pipeline.

"Ankur was given the difficult task of leading the migration of INTL News within one quarter. While visiting in Sunnyvale, I was very impressed to see how quickly he was able to build and put together a QA Alpha site to begin gathering feedback and requirements. This showed how efficient and effective he was and his ability to stay focused to complete the tasks assigned. He also partnered well with others within the team, and cross-functionality, to get fixes done that we thought would take more time or be more complex. The News metrics are the "proof in the pudding" as we've seen engagement gain +30% and revenue positive as well – amazing job."
 - Josh Holman, Business Planning and Operations

Skills

- Node.js
- React
- Javascript
- HTML/XHTML
- CSS
- AJAX
- PHP
- iOS development

Libraries (PHP)

- Smarty Templates

PHP Extensions

- Curl
- SimpleXML

AJAX Transports

- JSON
- XML

IDEs

- Zend Studio
- PDT
- Sublime

Platforms

- Apache
- XAMPP

Debuggers (Javascript)

- Chrome DevTools
- Safari Web Inspector
- FireFox FireBug

Version Control

- SVN
- Git

Bug Tracker

- JIRA
- Mantis Bug Tracker
- Bugzilla

Tools

- Rally
- JIRA

Messaging Systems

- IRC
- Slack
- HipChat
- Yahoo Messenger

Founder, Software Architect and Web Developer
Exanetics.com, Mysore

December 2005 – December 2009
(4 years)

Created PawBill (http://www.pawbill.com) from scratch - a billing, support and automation solution for web hosts.

I was responsible for coming up with the idea, designing the product and implementing it using PHP and a MySQL backend. The user interface consisted of a javascript intensive, AJAX driven front end using the libraries prototype and scriptaculous. The architecture of the application consisted APIs to drive the database, modular system to add future functionality without touching existing functionality and Smarty templates to modify the look of the application without touching the code. The application followed Model-View-Controller (MVC) architecture.

QA Engineer and Software Developer
Cisco Systems (India) Pvt. Ltd.,
Bangalore

August 2001 – November 2005
(4+ years)

Initially worked as a QA Engineer on the Cisco Catalyst 8500 series of ATM switches. I then moved on to software development on the same platform. Later, my knowledge of network management protocols like SNMP and TL1 took me to development on the Cisco ONS 15310 and Cisco 15454 optical networking platforms.

Education

Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Science & Engineering):

National Institute of Engineering, Mysore   1997 - 2001

Activities and Achievements

- iOS Development Bootcamp by CodePath
- Gave a tech talk to the Media team in Bangalore, Singapore and Taiwan on Touchdown and Stencil
- Certified Scrum Master (CSM) from Scrum Alliance
- Received the Bangalore U Rock award in 2011
- Received the Yahoo! Superstar Team award for 2010
- IEEE member from 2001 - 2008
- Attended the 12th CSI Karnataka Student Convention held at NIE