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SUMMARY

Design Engineer and full-stack developer working at the intersection of product, growth systems, and the attention economy. Experienced in building and shipping end-to-end systems across frontend, backend, and infrastructure, with a focus on real-time interfaces, distributed systems, and AI-driven workflows. Interested in creator tools, social systems, and software that shapes how people produce, distribute, and interact online.

EDUCATION

SRM Institute of Science and Technology – 8.28 CGPA

Kattankulathur, Tamil Nadu

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering

Aug 2020 – Jun 2024

EXPERIENCE

Livedocs (YC W22) | [live](#) | [product hunt](#)

Sep 2024 – Jan 2026

Design Engineer / Software Engineer

- Worked across the full product stack to build a general-purpose data platform, spanning design, frontend, backend, and infrastructure.
- Developed reactive notebook execution and real-time collaboration systems, enabling multi-user workflows over live data.
- Engineered sandboxed runtimes and integrated multi-provider AI agents for dynamic data interaction.
- Maintained high design-to-engineering fidelity across a complex interface surface, contributing to a cohesive and performant user experience.
- Contributed to product launch and distribution, achieving **#1 Product of the Day on Product Hunt**.

Curated People | [live](#)

Nov 2025

Founder / Product Builder

- Built and launched an event-led social platform matching people based on personality to drive offline interactions.
- Owned product, design, engineering, and positioning, shaping the experience, matching logic, and brand end-to-end.
- Grew to 100+ users with strong engagement, creating organic pull through demand for matches and events.
- Explored social infrastructure design through real-world experimentation in human coordination and discovery.

PROJECTS

/kllcht | [live](#) | [code](#) | Next.js, TypeScript, WebSockets

Sep 2024

- Built an end-to-end encrypted, ephemeral chat system with zero-persistence architecture.
- Implemented real-time communication using WebSockets with disposable channels that self-destruct after use.
- Designed for privacy-first communication with no data stored on disk.

ASCII Wave Studio | [live](#) | [code](#) | Next.js, TypeScript, Tailwind

Oct 2025

- Created a real-time ASCII animation generator powered by simplex noise.
- Implemented customizable wave patterns, character sets, and GIF export with shareable compressed URLs.

Eventto | [live](#) | [code](#) | Next.js, TypeScript, Tailwind

Sep 2024

- Built an event discovery platform with server-side rendering for fast initial loads and SEO-friendly pages.
- Implemented location-based search and dynamic routing for scalable event pages.
- Designed a responsive grid interface focused on fast browsing and low friction discovery.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, SQL

Frontend & Product Engineering: Next.js, React, Tailwind, UI systems, responsive design, performance optimization

Backend & Systems: Node.js, Express, REST APIs, WebSockets, real-time systems

Infrastructure: Docker, Kubernetes, Google Cloud Platform

Databases: PostgreSQL, Supabase, MongoDB

AI & Content Systems: ComfyUI workflows, AI-generated content pipelines, LLM integrations, prompt engineering, multi-step generation flows

Automation & Orchestration: n8n, API integrations, webhooks, workflow automation, tool chaining

Product & Growth: user acquisition flows, engagement loops, distribution systems, attention-driven product design