# Alex Araiza

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## Skills

Node.js, React, Express, Flask, Next.js, Gatsby, JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, SQL, GraphQL, HTML, CSS, PostgreSQL, Firebase, Heroku, AWS

# Projects

#### Sopars de duro (React, Gatsby, Firebase)

Static website for a cooking blog with over 180 recipes

- Achieved a 98 % reduction in navigation time and an 83 % reduction in load time using React and Gatsby, greatly improving user experience
- Simplified page builds and optimization using Gatsby's GraphQL API
- Simplified data management by centralizing it on Firebase's NoSQL database as JSON

## Price tracker (Flask, JavaScript, PostgreSQL, Heroku)

Web app to track the price of online items

- Used ORM with SQLAlchemy to simplify PostgreSQL database connection
- Improved price fetching algorithm accuracy by adding price history to database schema
- Improved app reliability by unit testing critical parts of the codebase

## Infection simulator (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)

Web app to simulate the spread of an infectious disease

- Added user interactivity during simulation, improving user experience
- Improved simulation performance by optimizing collision detection algorithms
- Used object-oriented design principles to structure the codebase, resulting in cleaner code

# Volunteering experience

#### IT Lead

LineHayat

- Coordinated a team of 4 engineers to accelerate development of a real-time chat system using Node.js, React, TypeScript and WebSockets, ensuring timely delivery for pilot testing
- Led recruitment efforts that resulted in the addition of 2 new developers to the team
- Introduced new feedback system using cookies, reducing server memory usage

# Education

#### App Academy

Full stack web development curriculum

#### Polytechnic University of Catalonia

Bachelor's degree in Industrial Technology Engineering

October 2020

September 2021

Website | Code

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