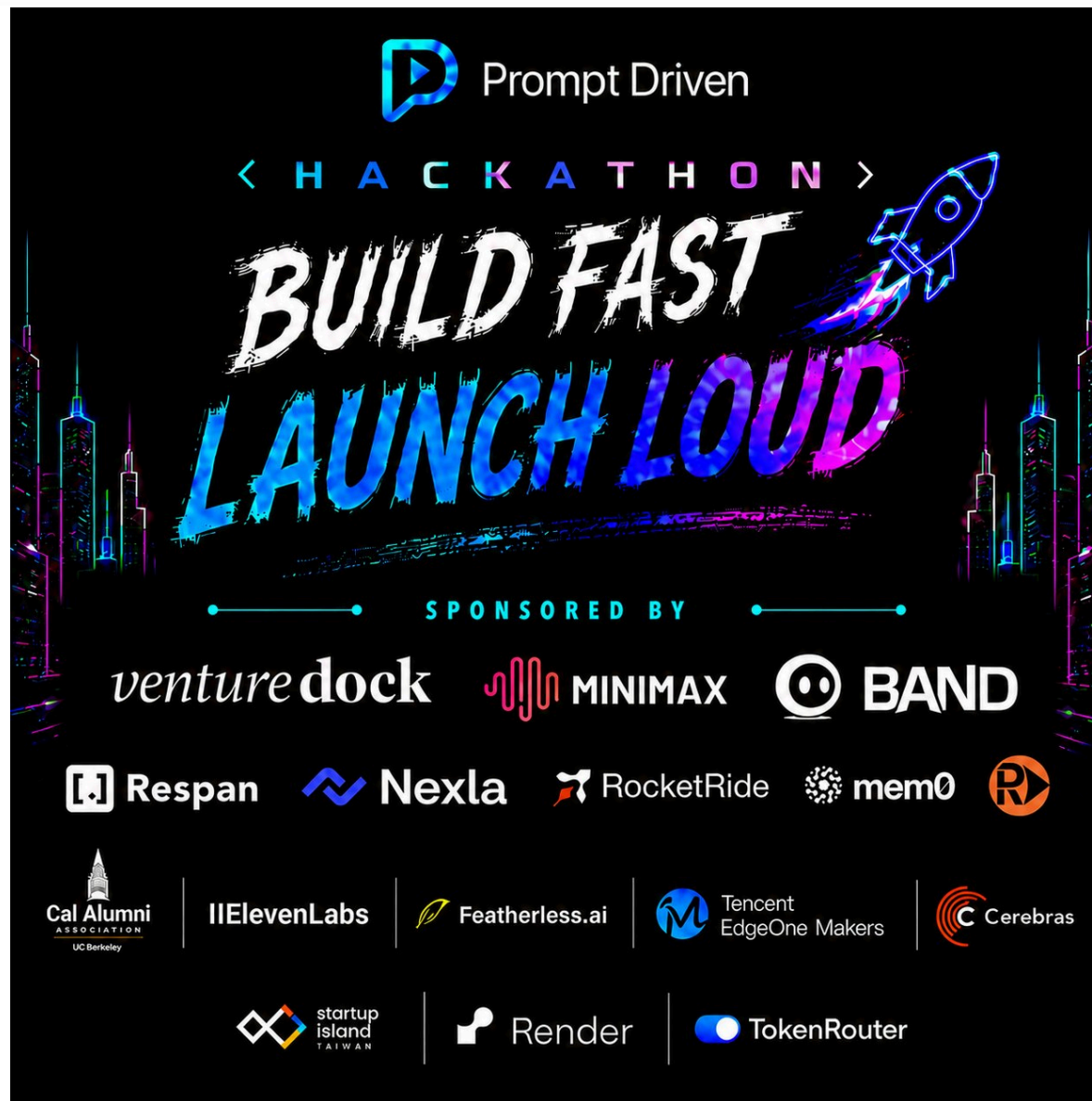




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Build Fast Launch Loud Prompt Driven Hackathon

Prompt Driven Development Hackathon ## Build Fast.

~ pdd-hack

LIVE

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$ pdd issue 1847  
→ regenerat
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JUL 25 Saturday, July 25, 2026 – Sunday, July 26, 2026
5:00 PM – 4:00 AM



555 University Ave, Palo Alto, CA 94301

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The **hackathon** Prompt Driven Development Hackathon

Build Fast. Launch Loud.

The **Prompt Driven Development Hackathon** is a one-day build event where developers, founders, students, and AI builders turn ideas into working products.

Using **Prompt Driven Development (PDD)**, teams will direct AI agents through structured prompts to build, test, iterate, and deploy software faster. The goal is not just to prototype—it is to ship a functional product in a single day. Teams will demo their projects to investors, industry leaders, and fellow builders, with standout projects gaining exposure and opportunities beyond the event.

What You'll Do

- Build an AI-powered product using PDD
- Rapidly test and refine through prompt-based workflows
- Use leading AI models, APIs, and developer tools

- Deploy and present a live application

Who It's For

Developers, students, founders, designers, and anyone interested in building with AI.

What You'll Gain

- A shipped product
- Hands-on experience with AI-native development
- A chance to pitch to investors and industry leaders
- Connections with builders across the AI ecosystem Come ready to build quickly, experiment boldly, and launch something real. **Build Fast. Launch Loud.**

RESOURCES

Start with the

Prompt Driven Discord Channel

For questions, support, community, and a place to find teammates for PDD hackathons, explore the Prompt Driven Development discord channel.

Join the Discord →

REQUIRED TOOLS

Arrive

Tools and accounts to install or sign up for before the event.

Nexla Resource 1

Utilize Nexla in your work through credits to participate with.

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Nexla Resource 2

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Cerebras

Cerebras is providing API credits for participating hackers to build and experiment with ultra-fast AI inference during the event.

[Get Started →](#)

Band

Band is sponsoring a \$500 cash prize for the Best Project with Band. All hackers will also receive access to 1 month of Band Pro through a special event code, which will be shared on the day of the hackathon. Please review Band's hacker guide to get started.

[Get Started →](#)

MiniMax

MiniMax is providing API credits to help hackers build with its advanced AI models, including powerful text, coding, and multimodal capabilities. Use these credits to prototype, test, and launch AI-powered applications throughout the hackathon.

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PDD (Required)

Prompt-Driven Development (PDD) - Your project MUST demonstrate PDD principles:

Prompts define behavior; code is generated

Changes made by modifying prompts and regenerating (not patching)

Intent preserved in prompts, not buried in code

[Prompt Driven Development →](#)

Rtrvr.ai

Utilize Rtrvr.ai in your work and receive \$30/person in credits to participate with.

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ElevenLabs

Utilize ElevenLabs in your work and participate to win 3 months of their Pro tier for each participant in the overall winning team. Additionally the team with the Best Project Built with ElevenLabs: Each team member receives 6 months of our Scale tier (\$1980 value/team member).

[Hacker Guide →](#)

Render

Render is supporting Build Fast. Launch Loud. with cloud credits for hackathon participants and additional prize credits for top teams that build with Render Workflows.

Eligible Render track prizes:

- 1st place: \$500 in Render credits
- 2nd place: \$300 in Render credits
- 3rd place: \$100 in Render credits

Registered participants will receive the Render credit-claim link at the event.

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Tencent EdgeOne Makers

Tencent EdgeOne Makers is offering participants free project deployments and free tokens for its built-in AI models. Use it to build, deploy, and host your hackathon project while adding AI-powered features without managing separate infrastructure.

[Get Started →](#)

Featherless

Featherless provides access to thousands of open-source AI models through one OpenAI-compatible API. Use it to add text generation, reasoning, coding, and other LLM capabilities to your hackathon project without managing model infrastructure.

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Respan

Respan provides observability, evaluations, prompt management, and performance monitoring for AI applications. Use it to trace agent behavior, debug model outputs, compare prompts, and improve the reliability of your product.

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mem0

mem0 provides a memory layer for AI applications and agents. Use it to help your product remember past conversations, user preferences, and important context so it can deliver more personalized and consistent experiences.

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RocketRide

RocketRide is an open-source AI runtime that lets you define an AI pipeline in a single JSON file. Use it to connect models, manage context, route requests, monitor performance, and run the same application locally or in the cloud.

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TRACKS & CHALLENGES

Build something

Best Project with Band

> \$500 Cash Prize

Best Use of MiniMax

- > 1st place: \$3,000 in credits for Best Use of MiniMax
- > 2nd place: \$2,000 in credits for Best Use of MiniMax
- > 3rd place: \$1,000 in credits for Best Use of MiniMax

Ophanim

Best defense-adjacent product wins. Build anything with a defense or dual-use angle: perception, autonomy, sensing, logistics, comms, security, decision support, anything that would matter when the stakes are high.

> \$500 Cash Prize

Best Use of RocketRide

The project that pushes RocketRide furthest. Submit your project via the Prompt Driven Discord.

> \$1,000 worth of AirPods for the winning team (non-cash reward).

Technical Constraints

Use RocketRide meaningfully in the project and submit via Discord.

PRIZES

What you can

Grand Prize

Must Render Workflows

\$2,300 value in credits + VC pitch opportunity

Second Place

Must use Render Workflows

\$1,100 value in credits

Third Place

Must use Render Workflows

\$500 value in credits

JUDGES & SPECIAL GUESTS

Demo to investors



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Operator · M13 (Investors)

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Venture Dock

Venture Dock is where ambitious founders gain the network, guidance, and insider knowledge of experienced founders, operators, and investors to build faster, scale with confidence, and raise capital.

— SILVER



Nexla

Nexla is an AI-powered data integration platform that transforms data from any source into governed, production-ready data products for AI and agents.



Band

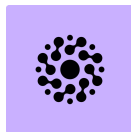
Band is an enterprise-grade communication infrastructure for AI agents that enables agents and humans to communicate, coordinate, and collaborate in real time. Rather than replacing existing agent frameworks, Band provides a shared collaboration layer that lets agents built with LangGraph, CrewAI, OpenAI, Anthropic, Gemini, and other frameworks discover each other, exchange context, delegate work, and operate under centralized governance and audit controls.



MiniMax

MiniMax develops frontier AI models for coding, agentic workflows, and multimodal applications. Its latest M3 model combines advanced reasoning and tool use with native multimodality and a context window of up to one million tokens.

— BRONZE

**mem0**

Mem0 is the memory layer for AI agents and applications, helping developers add persistent context so AI systems can remember users, personalize interactions, and improve over time.

**RocketRide**

RocketRide is an open-source AI runtime. You define a pipeline as a single JSON file, RocketRide handles model routing, context, and observability, and the same file runs locally or in the cloud without changes.

**Retriever AI**

Rtrvr.ai is an AI web agent platform that lets you scrape data sets, automate any task, and monitor sites with just prompting.

— SUPPORTERS

**ElevenLabs**

The most realistic voice AI platform.

AI voice models and products powering millions of developers, creators, and enterprises. From low-latency conversational agents to the leading AI voice generator for voiceovers and audiobooks.

**Render**

Render is a cloud application platform that allows developers and teams to build, deploy, and scale web services, static sites, databases, and background jobs.

**Respan**

Respan is an AI infrastructure platform that helps teams run reliable AI applications in production. Our AI Gateway gives teams a single place to manage model access, routing, reliability, and costs, while our observability platform helps them monitor performance, debug failures, and improve quality over time. Together, they help companies ship and operate AI products with more speed and confidence.





Cerebras

The Cerebras Wafer-Scale Engine is purpose-built for ultra-fast AI. It is 58x larger and 15x faster than GPUs. Designed for builders who want to do extraordinary things.



Startup Island Taiwan

Startup Island TAIWAN is a national initiative supporting Taiwanese startups expanding globally. Located in Palo Alto, the Silicon Valley Hub connects founders with investors, corporate partners, and innovation ecosystems, serving as a bridge between Taiwan and Silicon Valley. The Hub regularly hosts events, delegation visits, founder programs, and ecosystem gatherings that strengthen collaboration between Taiwan's technology ecosystem and the global innovation community.

Tencent EdgeOne Makers

EdgeOne Makers is a Web and Agent development and deployment platform built on the Tencent EdgeOne infrastructure. It provides a one-stop development and deployment service covering frontend pages, dynamic APIs, and Agents. By leveraging the global acceleration of the edge network, it ensures applications achieve fast and stable access experiences.

Artemis TokenRouter

TokenRouter is the API gateway teams trust at scale. One key, one endpoint, enterprise-grade control over the world's leading AI models.



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