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Software Engineer

PERSONAL DETAILS

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SUMMARY

Motivated self-starter software developer with 6+ years experience. Proficient in a wide variety of business applications. Experience in the entire application design, development, automation, scaling and monitoring process. Specifically interested in development using PHP, Python, Go, Java, MySQL, Javascript. Rust and Elixir Newbie!

Always looking for interesting problems to solve and new technologies to learn. I am not afraid of searching for a needle in a stack of hay, Always looking to improve and play nice with both humans and machines.

In 2012, I created clivern.com to share my projects and some tutorials about web development. I'm trying to blog more, but I've only got two hands.

Specialties: PHP, Python, Golang, Rust, Elixir, Java, Javascript, MySQL, NoSQL, MongoDB, Cassandra, HTML, CSS, Laravel, Symfony, Angular, CodeIgniter, Flask, Django, Vert.x, BackboneJs, jQuery, Ajax, Slim, Wordpress Plugin and Themes Development, LAMP, OOP, VCS, GIT, Continuous Integration, Terraform, Chef, Jenkins, ElasticSearch, RabbitMQ, Kafka, HAProxy, Vagrant, Consul, Grafana, Prometheus, Nomad, Docker, Amazon AWS, Google Cloud, Kubernetes, MVC, Composer, Bower, VueJs, Typescript, TDD, Linux, Cloud Computing, DevOps, Bash, Apache, Nginx, Scrum.

Current Interests: Scaling Web Applications, Microservices Architecture, Cloud Native Architecture, High Availability, Automation and AI-Powered Systems.

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer

May 2022 - Present

Cisco, Amsterdam, Netherlands

- Responsible for the design and operation of the Monitoring and Observability Platform for Cisco OpenDNS resolvers globally (Cisco Umbrella DNS)
- Working mainly with Go, Python and Elixir
- Technologies: Nagios, Thruk, Naemon, Grafana, Prometheus, Alertmanager, Datadog
- AWS (EC2, RDS, S3, EKS)

- Terraform, Ansible, Jenkins, GitOps for Infrastructure Automation
- Linux (Debian) and build/packaging utilities

Software Engineer

Jan 2018 - May 2022

Leaseweb, Amsterdam, Netherlands

- Being part of a DevOps team responsible for leaseweb public and private cloud platforms
- Design and development of microservices using PHP, Python and Symfony framework to automate all interactions between leaseweb customers and cloud platforms
- Integration between internal/external systems and Apache CloudStack in async microservices architecture and API-first approach
- Design and development of customer & internal dashboard for cloud products
- Design and development of data traffic notification system using Symfony, MySQL, Redis, RabbitMQ, Graphite and Chef for deployment
- Refactoring, Rewriting some parts to modernize services architecture, increase scalability and reliability, improve observability, pay off the technical debt, update system behavior and ensure a smooth migration
- Management of Chef Cookbooks to push changes to hundreds of servers in production
- Management of time series databases like RRD and Whisper. Usage of Graphite and Grafana for metrics UI and ELK Stack
- Understanding of Virtualization, CloudStack, Qemu-KVM Hypervisors
- Being part of on-call shifts and 3rd level tickets escalation

Software Engineer

May 2016 - Jan 2018

Teleperformance, Cairo, Egypt

- Build internal portals (Frontend and Backend) for company internal communications (Egypt & Dubai Branches), Integrate with Teleperformance EMEA systems & provide help whenever needed
- Develop and Maintain Teleperformance Egypt & Dubai Branches Internal Systems
- Build systems to automate internal processes inside the company integrated with LDAP and Teleperformance CCMS
- Build microservices and integrate with Avaya for call recording and storage
- Build internal training and certifications system (STEPs)
- Build CI/CD pipeline using Jenkins and Gitlab
- Reduce operational overhead with Automation
- Meet directly with stakeholders and the end user to gather the requirements
- Interviewing potential candidates for the team

Senior Software Developer

Sep 2015 - May 2016

Simplative Technology Solutions, Cairo, Egypt

- A startup with a fast paced environment
- Build web applications based on customers requirements either with frameworks or CMS
- Meet directly with company customers and end users to gather the requirements

Freelance Web Developer

Jan 2012 - Sep 2015

Envato, Cairo, Egypt

- I was selling web applications and wordpress plugins to envato customers https://codecanyon.net/user/clivern
- Also modify per customer request

Freelance Web Developer

Feb 2010 - Oct 2011

Freelancer.com, Cairo, Egypt

• Wokerd on a freelance basis for a few clients

Summer Internship

Aug 2010 - Aug 2010

Halliburton, Cairo, Egypt

• Western desert oil field owned by Khalda and Apache Corporation as a foreign partner

PROJECTS

These are some of my open source projects. The open source projects changes frequently so please check the full list on github.

- Cattle Platform to Run and Share Code. It Supports PHP, Python, Ruby, Java, Go, Rust, C and C++.
- Beetle Kubernetes multi-cluster deployment automation service.
- Walrus Fast, Secure and Reliable System Backup, Set up in Minutes.
- Beaver A real time messaging system to build a scalable in-app notifications, multiplayer games, chat apps in web and mobile apps.
- Racter A Java Framework for Building Bots on Facebook's Messenger Platform.
- Silverback A Status and Incident Communication Tool.
- Gauntlet Guides, Articles, Podcasts, Videos and Notes to Build Reliable Large-Scale Distributed Systems.
- **Peanut** Deploy Databases and Services Easily for Development and Testing Pipelines.
- Rhino HTTP Mocking & Debugging Service.
- Minion Single Page Application Boilerplate.
- Monkey Apache CloudStack SDK in PHP that supports sync calls, async calls and multiple dependent calls.
- Glove Prometheus Exporter Boilerplate.
- generator-gopkg Yeoman Generator for Golang Packages.
- generator-goapi Yeoman Generator for Golang Microservices.
- Bazooka Command Line Tool for Database Backup.
- kafka-sdk Java SDK for Apache Kafka.
- Rabbit A lightweight service that will build and store your go projects binaries, Integrated with Github, Gitlab, Bitbucket and Bitbucket Server.

- Mammal A Sample Microservice.
- Poodle A fast and beautiful command line tool to build API requests.
- rabbitmq-hole RabbitMQ HTTP API Client In PHP.
- wit-java A Java Library For Wit.ai
- arduino-exporter Arduino Prometheus Exporter.
- Cluster Golang Package for System Clustering.
- **Hamster** A Bot toolkit for github that supports OAuth, Events, API, Custom Commands and Check Runs.
- Hippo A well crafted go packages that help you build robust, reliable, maintainable microservices.
- Chunk Asynchronous Task Queue Based on Distributed Message Passing for PHP
- Decoy A JSON Schema Validation Package for Java.
- Memcached A Memcached Client for PHP.
- Observability-php-sdk Observability SDK for PHP Applications.
- Imap Access Mailbox Using PHP IMAP.
- Bucket Consistent Hashing Algorithm Package for Scalable Data Distribution
- Apes Chaos and Resiliency Testing Service.
- Unixsig Python Package to Handle Unix Signals.
- Laravel-CSV-Export Export a Large Dataset in CSV Format.
- file-uploader PHP File Uploader Package
- Bear A WordPress Themes Boilerplate.
- Helium A Fast, Secure and Reliable Newsletter System, Set up in Minutes.
- Oxygen Ansible Collection to Deploy A Reliable PHP Services.
- Gorilla A Distributed Lock Service, Set up in Minutes.
- Goenv Manage Your Applications Go Environment.
- Helmet A Lightweight Cloud Native API Gateway.
- Garment A Thread Safe Connection Pooling.
- Jump A Command Line Tool for Fast System Navigation in Rust.
- Chaos A Server Chaos Maker, Set up in Minutes.
- Lynx A Fast, Secure and Reliable Terraform Backend, Set up in Minutes.
- Gulper A Command Line Tool to Backup and Restore SQLite, MySQL and PostgreSQL.
- Meez AI Assistant and Copilot SDK for SaaS Applications.

EDUCATION

Bachelor's degree

2009-2014

Suez University, Suez Egypt

Petroleum and Mining Engineering, Petroleum Department. Grade: Very Good

VOLUNTEERING

DigitalOcean Navigator

Sep 2021 - Present

DigitalOcean

- Authored & contributed to several open source projects.
- Tested Digitalocean monitoring, managed products (kubernetes, databases and Kafka).
- Joined Hacktoberfest since 2016 as a contributor and a core maintainer.
- Load test the new products of Digitalocean which i can't reveal until they officially announced.
- Work closely with DevRels to guide people around the world to learn and grow with the help of DigitalOcean.

For extra info https://www.digitalocean.com/blog/meet-the-navigators-2021

Volunteer

Jul 2013 - Aug 2013

Paajaf Foundation

Involved as a volunteer to improve their website.

CERTIFICATIONS

- Learn and Understand AngularJS Jan 2016
- Linux Administration Bootcamp Dec 2019
- Cassandra for Developers Feb 2021 (Pluralsight)
- The Rust Programming Language Jul 2022
- Prometheus Alerting and Monitoring Aug 2022
- **Grafana** Sep 2022
- The Complete Elixir and Phoenix Bootcamp Nov 2022
- Develop LLM powered applications with LangChain Nov 2023
- Kotlin for Java Developers Sept 2024
- Introduction to Splunk Observability Cloud Jun 2024 (Splunk)
- Network Performance Monitoring with Splunk Network Explorer Jul 2024 (Splunk)
- Introduction to Splunk Log Observer Connect Jul 2024 (Splunk)
- Introduction to Splunk Application Performance Monitoring Jul 2024 (Splunk)
- Getting Data into Splunk Observability Cloud Jul 2024 (Splunk)
- Develop LLM powered AI agents with LangGraph Mar 2025

LANGUAGES

• Arabic: Native or bilingual proficiency

 \bullet ${\bf English}:$ Full professional proficiency

• **Dutch**: Elementary proficiency

REFERENCES

Available upon request