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HI 👋 I'M MARKUS.

I help companies design and deliver digital products faster. Doing so, I like well written CSS. Working with designers and frontend developers. Creating design systems. Caring for a smooth workflow for my team. Exploring new technologies.

WHAT I'VE WORKED ON SO FAR

Team Lead Development @ sum.cumo Sapiens GmbH — 08/2021 - 01/2022

Due to some organisational changes, I was asked to fill an open team-lead position at sum.cumo Sapiens GmbH. In a rather difficult environment, I managed a team of 15 people through regular 1on1s and initiatives around the organisational change that was happening. I've led the efforts to implement explicit career levels for all development division members which were introduced and implemented by the end of 2021.

Based on various reasons, I made the decision to open myself up to other opportunities.

UI Architect @ sum.cumo Sapiens GmbH — 08/2018 - 07/2021

I took care of setting up and kickstarting projects with a proper foundation. My task was to get the project up and running while making sure the code stays modular, reusable and robust. This always involved working with VueJS, NuxtJS, Storybook, architectural decisions and component systems.

Senior UI Engineer @ XING SE — 01/2017 – 07/2018

In a fantastic team, I helped build a web design system for more than 40 product teams. We built up a library of over 60 components. It includes contribution guidelines and extensive documentation for the whole design system.

Various roles @ Jimdo — 2012 - 2016

At Jimdo, I worked in various capacities, starting out as an affiliate marketing specialist and partner project coordinator. Then, I helped built up the newly formed Template Team, taking on a temporary lead role there. I finally worked as a UI Engineer in product development, focussing on the UI Library and building new features for the product. As you might imagine with a startup, I wore many hats, handled whatever problems and projects were facing us and picked up the necessary skills on the way – evolving with the company.

Junior-Projektmanager Technik, Volontär & Praktikant @ achtung! GmbH — 06/2010 - 12/2011

From starting as an intern until being a Junior PM for all technical parts of a project, I helped various client teams bring their social media ideas from concept into the browser. On the way, I helped designers and (external) developers to communicate in a better way with each other.

EDUCATION
Communication Science @ WWU Münster — Magister Atrium, 2011
I mostly code by now, though originally I studied communication science at the IfK Münster. While I chose the theoretical side of the studies, I gained a lot of practical knowledge at campus relations, a group of students offering public relations work for local businesses in Münster.

Next to that, I worked for the agency primus inter pares, a dedicated team of communication specialists. I did everything from writing press releases to building WordPress websites.

SKILLS
I've been working as a full-time frontend developer since 2015, having gained lots of experience in the space since 2004. Coming from writing HTML/CSS code, I've tried out quite a few things.

I've worked with React and VueJS, played with Svelte and web components. I've built and established design systems in React and VueJS.

I've established open source libraries instead of using costly in-house wheel reinventions. Ranging from brand new tech stacks to years old code bases, I've worked on all kinds of projects. Doing that, I've learned when to use frameworks and libraries and when to build your own solution. I created complicated frontends for insurances and lotteries in close communication with UX and design. I have written more TypeScript than I ever expected. More GraphQL, too.

You can throw any agile-ish working style at me because I've most certainly used and worked in it by now. If you're uncertain or unsatisfied with your current way of working, I can moderate a retrospective or help shape a better process. Another great tool I enjoy for making decisions are Wardley Maps.

I've written so much CSS in the last years that I'm by now able to write it without a dev server running. And still getting the results I need. I'd be open to working with React again. My love for VueJS is unbroken, though, so I'd be super happy to keep working with that.

I'm not afraid of jumping into other programming languages besides JavaScript. It will take some time to get up to speed in them, though.