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I have over twelve years experience building frontend web and mobile products and features. I focus not only on merging code, but also on improving processes and communication in multidisciplinary tech teams that help improve code and organisational health.

I have experience at early stage startups such as Berlin based unicorn N26, and Blacklane which was named Germany's fastest growing startup by Tech5 in 2015. I also have experience at international corporations such as SAP and Verizon Connect.

Being a good frontend engineer is more than just writing good code. Communicating effectively, identifying invalid assumptions, and choosing the right tools are all essential skills I've learned that minimize risk and maximize efficiency.

Work Experience

Klar

- › September 2020 - Current (2+ years)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Senior Mobile Software Engineer - *Flutter, Dart, Fastlane, Firebase, Github Actions, Figma*

Klar democratizes banking services in Mexico.

During my time at Klar I transitioned into the position of senior mobile engineer where I developed many business critical credit features such as Overdraft, Bullet Loans, Installment Loans, and also helped review code, paired and onboard new team members.

Klar (freelancer)

- › May 2019 - August 2020 (1 year 3 months)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Web Lead Engineer - *React, Redux, React Boilerplate, Figma, Squarespace, Webflow, Google Analytics*

Klar democratizes banking services in Mexico.

I led web development during Klar's initial fundraising rounds and launch of their mobile application. Features I built and maintained included signup, customer service portal, Squarespace blog, and Webflow landing page redesigns.

Popsure (freelancer)

- › November 2018 - January 2019 (3 months)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Senior Frontend Engineer - *React, Redux, CSS Modules, Create React App, Zeplin*

Popsure specializes in giving personalized insurance advice.

I expanded functionality of an early version of their product closely with the founders that had just graduated from a prominent incubator. Features I completed included account creation and management, and a rewards section.

SAP (freelancer)

- › April 2018 - October 2018 (6 months)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Senior Frontend Engineer - *Vue, AWS, Invision*

SAP is an enterprise software company.

In a team of specialized freelancers, I created a prototype for a universal identification system for both internal and external company use. Features I completed included account creation, account linking, and account login.

Planet (freelancer)

- › Feb 2017 - Nov 2017 (9 months)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Senior Frontend Engineer - *React, Redux, Webpack, Material-UI*

Planet builds small satellites and delivers information about the changing planet.

At Planet I improved the frontend of an admin tool that managed daily imagery captured by more than hundred micro satellites. Features I completed included access management tooling, report viewing, report generation, and adding 2FA.

N26

- › Feb 2016 - Nov 2016 (9 months)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Frontend Engineer - *Backbone.js, SASS, Gulp, Zeplin*

N26 offers mobile banking solutions.

At N26 I built the main banking web application. Features I completed included a transaction screen redesign, overdraft functionality, premium card ordering, and migration to the new licenced bank.

Blacklane

- › Oct 2014 - Feb 2016 (1 year 4 months)
- › Berlin, Germany
- › Frontend Engineer - *AngularJS, Ruby on Rails, Gulp, HAML, SASS*

Blacklane is a global chauffeur and airport concierge service.

At Blacklane (Tech5's 2015 fastest growing startup in Germany), I built the limousine booking web application. Features I completed included corporate portal, booking form, ride listings, ride ratings, and marketing webpages.

Verizon Connect

- › Feb 2012 - Feb 2014 (2 years)
- › Christchurch, New Zealand
- › Full stack Engineer - *C#, SQL, PowerShell*

Verizon Connect is subsidiary of Verizon which focuses on transportation logistics.

At Verizon Connect I built the interface and backend for a traveling salesman problem solver. Features I worked on included a route templating system, routing algorithm memory optimizations, and user modification tooling

Education and Interests

Formal Education

- › Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (2009 - 2011) - University of Canterbury, New Zealand
- › Scholarship (2011 - 2012) - University of Canterbury, Human Interface and Technology Laboratory

Languages

- › English - Native
- › German - Intermediate (B1 Goethe-Institut)
- › Spanish - Beginner

Interests

- › Music: Production, DJing, Piano, and Trumpet
- › Sports: Running, Biking, Volleyball
- › Favorite books: Getting Things Done, Deep Work