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Experience

2021-2024 Application Engineer - UK Team lead, Optiver, London, UK

Leading a team of 3 to support the London, Chicago, Austin and New York operations.

- Operations BAU support
 - Detect, fix or triage to other teams any production incident
 - Configure and deploy applications, implement and coordinate changes across the various development and infrastructure teams
 - Ensure **coherence and scalability** of design choices
- Project work and tooling
 - Identified inconsistencies in underlyings held in various applications, wrote a health target to proactively spot them
 - Designed a new JIRA workflow to handle recurring incidents to avoid duplicate work, spot trends and gather information more efficiently
 - Reviewed and rated the risks run in all areas of the Infra & Dev for Optiver's Risk Committee. Highlighted a major blind spot that has been fixed since
 - Designed a full training for Application Engineers to efficiently onboard new joiners
 - Proposed a **new network domain** to host applications that are used for Trading but require access to Internet because of connectivity to 3rd parties
 - Suggested and implemented a set of new standards for the growing scope of OTC 3rdparty applications which can't follow the regular requirements of in-house applications
 - Wrote a Python alerter using Prometheus to detect clock sync deviations breaching MiFID thresholds. Set up a workflow to track these breaches with Compliance

Leading the UK team

- Organised the team in the UK, adapting Chicago's methods to the London constraints
- Improved the handover workflow from one shift to another to better highlight important changes, dates and socialise interesting incidents
- Drove the team to be independent, take on more work in cooperation with both
 London and Chicago developers and hired a 4th UK member

2018-2021 Low latency IT Strategist, BNP Paribas, AMM, London, UK

In charge of supporting the Equities and Fixed Income ETF Low latency automatons.

- Equities ETF Market Making Automaton
 - Reviewing and improving the current setup, scripting new tools to configure the automatons
 - Organizing changes in order to **anticipate and avoid disruption** on what is a very sensitive and complex environment
 - FPGA and Dolphin clusters configurating
- New Fixed Income perimeter
 - In charge of setting up the new environment and automatons
 - Designing new architecture and tools for the pricing, modelling bonds and ETF compositions
 - Coordinating several teams to ensure all components necessary are made available
 - Providing new Fixed Income traders with support and custom APIs (e.g. to develop a bonds ETF pricer)
- Scripting & Monitoring
 - **Writing checks** on processes availability, on feeds status, infrastructure (RAM, CPU, IO, CPU affinity etc...)
 - Automatizing files generation used by external processes
 - **Generating metrics** on usage and consumption in order to improve load-balancing, reduce fees etc...

2011-2017 **Trading Application Support Engineer**, *BNP Paribas, Global Markets*, London, UK

In charge of 4 in-house trading applications on EQD and Commodities side.

- Main responsible for the ETFs Market Making tool & Index pricing tool building and configuring multi-kernel automatons, monitoring trades and investigating trade, feed or hedge issues. Also supporting the index pricing tool that provides source prices for the ETFs contribution.
- Main responsible for the Options trading tool including delta adjusted orders, volatility execution.
- 2009-2011 **JAVA Developer intern**, *Vision IT Group*, Paris, France, Work/Study program I worked on Vision IT's Enterprise Resource Planning.
 - Development: I was asked to finish its migration from HTML to JAVA. I then continued developing the software according to the sales and the senior management's needs
 - O Database: I designed a new database architecture to fit a broader scope for the application
 - Project management: alongside my development mission, I was sent to take charge of a project whose manager had just left. I had to deal with the client and organize the development team's work to meet very tight deadlines

Education

2005-2011 Computer Master's Degree (with honours), Institut Supérieur d'Electronique de

Paris, France

Information Systems section

MPSI/PSI "Classes préparatoires" followed by the ISEP Engineer Cycle

2005 Scientific Baccalauréat, English European section (with honours), Paul Claudel, Paris, France

Languages

French Native English Native

Skills

Monitoring, Sysload, DollarU, Cron, Finance FIX

Scheduling Prometheus, Elasticsearch

JAVA Java, JEE, JDBC, JBoss OS Windows, Linux, Mac

Database Oracle, SQL, MySQL, PostGreSQL, CrateDB

Network Cisco CCNA Certification Scripting Python, Bash, Powershell

Misc High pressure handling, responsiveness, decision making

Personal Profile

I am an autonomous, proactive and focused team player who has all-round IT knowledge and likes new challenges. I leverage the experience I've built over the years in the world of low-latency trading to anticipate problems, build robust and reliable tooling as well as improve and design sustainable workflows for the team.

I love working with excellence-oriented people and always aim at moving forward together, putting my qualities forward to be as useful and efficient as possible. I'm curious and focused on the long-term goals, which enables me to propose lasting solutions. I also drive my team and help them grow their strengths, explore new avenues they may interested in or step up in areas for improvement.