

# Ashok Raja (DevOps, Cloud Architect)

In thirst of a challenging problems to solve, stay hungry stay foolish.

Aiming to help organisations to build highly scalable secure systems/infrastructure for maximum productivity with reduced cost. Enabling the organisation to effectively monitor, control, react & automate the software systems/infrastructure & release management. A Pythonist & Gopher. Love everything about AWS, DevOps Practice.



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## Work Experience

Sep 2017 - Current

Bangalore, India

### Senior DevOps Engineer AppDynamics (Cisco)

#### Accomplishments

- Executing a Hybrid Mutli-Cloud infrastructure.
- Redesign/Architected code base into modular, multi-cloud supported, extendable
- Mentoring a team of 4, Conducting technical workshops.
- Initiating new tech discussions/improvements. Taking ownership of POC, R&D.
- Developed a unified API layer to integrate/query from various DataCenter/Cloud
- 2018 Hackathon Winner - Enabling voice assistance for AppD APM offering.
- Developed a UI wrapper for an existing API backend with VueJS

Dec 2014 - Sep 2017

Bangalore, India

### MTS (Cloud Architect)

Bloomreach

#### Accomplishments

- Executing one of the largest Cloud Infrastructure.
- Working closely with Engineers across different regions to practice DevOps to design, define & develop cost effective cloud native secure applications.
- Architected/Owned infra structure as code (config/orchestration management using Terraform & SaltStack, high available Graphite cluster for Metric Store & CI/CD infrastructure.
- Lead the complete Bangalore Office IT infrastructure
- Re-Designed the home grown S3 crawler to run in < day from a week
- Developed custom home grown tools to control/manage/integrate the cloud

Jun 2013 - Nov 2014

Bangalore, India

### Senior Systems Engineer (DevOps)

Apigee

#### Accomplishments

- Execute & Own one of the biggest AWS infrastructure
- Core architect & developer of the home grown automation tool for deployment/maintenance/orchestration
- Build high available Graphite cluster for Metric Store.
- Collaborate & mentor the team on the goals
- R&D, POC for adoption of newer technologies
- Maintenance of legacy tools

Jan 2010 - Jun 2013

Bangalore, India

### Tech Lead - Service Engineering

Yahoo !

#### Accomplishments

Design, Architect, Orchestrate the right technology stack for the project. Design and develop Load & Performance testing. Own the complete infrastructure for high performance sites like Yahoo vertical search platform, Yahoo Shopping, Yahoo Travel. Active participant of yahoo internal Hack Day events.

- Scaling the backend API & indexing to serve 4000+ RPS with <100ms response time utilising/choosing cost effective hardware
- Design & Architect zero downtime deployment across multiple datacenter
- Developed a bot to search and purge stale documents from a 100M index store
- Identified & reduced the internal application timeout from 15% down to <0.1%
- Multi-Datacenter migration with zero downtime

Jan 2008 - Jan 2010

Bangalore, India

### System Administrator

Verismo Networks Private Ltd.,

#### Accomplishments

- MySQL DRBD High Availability cluster
- Custom OS image tailored with compiled/optimised LAMP stack
- Developed a custom CMS/TicketTracking/CustomerSupport Portal
- Automated OpenVPN infrastructure

Jan 2005 - Jan 2008

Madurai, India

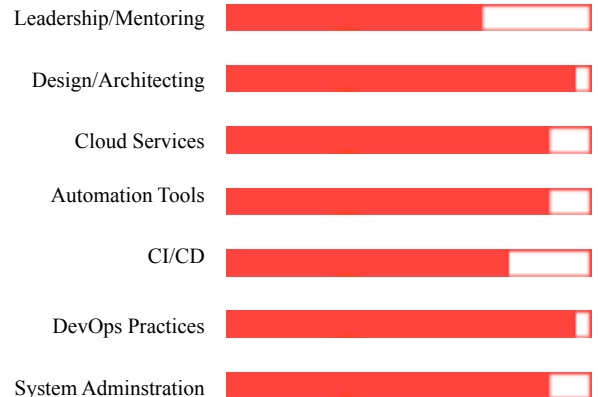
### System Administrator

Winways Systems Private Ltd.,

#### Accomplishments

As a system administrator at Winways systems was responsible for the entire IT infrastructure. Deploying O2(home grown ERP product) on the customers servers and remote maintenance/troubleshooting. Managing/monitoring single sign on, acl, disk quota & firewall.

## Skills & Competences



## Tools & Technologies

Languages	Bash, Python, GoLang(Early Bird)
Automation	Saltstack, Puppet, Ansible, Terraform, Jenkins & Home grown tools using Python
Voice Assistance	Alexa ToolKit
Cloud Services	AWS, Heroku, Google
High-Availability	DRBD, Haproxy, Nginx, Akamai, ELB, Route53
Data Store	MySQL, MongoDB, ElasticSearch
Network Services	LDAP, NIS, Bind DNS, DHCP
Caching	Squid, ATS, MemCached, CDN
Security	Snort, Metasploit, Shorewall, SELinux, Apparmor, OpenVPN
Monitoring	Nagios/Icinga, Graphite, Sensu
Storage	RAID, LVM, GlusterFS, NFS

## Education

Jul 2001 - Apr 2005

**Bachelor of Science in Physics**  
Madurai Kamaraj University College

## Achievements & Certificates

### RedHat Certified Engineer (2005)

Certificate Number : 803005996514398

### You Rock award

from Yahoo

### Individual Contributor Award

from Verismo Networks

### Hackathon - Crowd Favourite Award

from AppDynamics (Cisco)

## Languages I Speak

English      Tamil

## Interests

Mentoring | AWS | Golang | Python | Systems  
Automation | CI/CD | DevOps | Biking |  
Trekking