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Engineering Leader & Infrastructure Hacker

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EXPERIENCE

Engineering Manager, Infrastructure and Platform Engineering

Dollar Shave Club

Movember 2016 - Present

Marina del Rev. CA

- Led the Infrastructure and Platform Engineering group, managing a team of software engineers and SREs supporting the Engineering Department of 80+ software engineers.
- Built a large, production-grade Kubernetes cluster (running on the AWS Spot market) of 300+ nodes, running all production applications.
- Migrated all applications to Kubernetes and Helm Charts.
- Instituted SRE standards and guidelines for production applications.
- Built out several Infrastructure services related to security and software delivery.
- Implemented the next generation dynamic testing environment system called Acvl.

Infrastructure Team Lead

Dollar Shave Club

• Became team lead of the Infrastructure Team and core contributor to Backend Engineering.

Infrastructure Engineer

Dollar Shave Club

Movember 2014 - February 2016

▼ Venice, CA

- Migrated production apps to Docker and CoreOS with immutable deployments on AWS. Wrote a custom environment provisioning and deployment API in Go.
- Designed and wrote a new customer checkout API application in Go, allowing the site to sustain a national Super Bowl TV ad (allowing >100,000 checkouts/sec max throughput) with zero downtime or lost customers.

Senior Systems Engineer

ScoreBig

- Took on the chief DevOps/SRE role within the organization and developed software for internal tooling.
- Migrated production apps from AWS to private hardware running OpenStack and ESXi. Created a suite of tools for deployment and server management. Implemented configuration management (Salt-Stack).

Operations/IT Manager

Capital Region Special Surgery

August 2009 - October 2012

Albany, NY

SKILLS

Python C Go (Golang) Kubernetes Docker Linux Team Leadership

PROJECTS

Acvl

Testing Environments On Demand

♦ https://github.com/dollarshaveclub/acyl

Dynamic testing environments in Kubernetes on demand via GitHub PRs.

Furan

Scalable Docker Image Builder

♦ https://github.com/dollarshaveclub/furan

Horizontally-scalable Docker image building GRPC service utilizing Cassandra and Kafka.

Elita

Deployment REST Service

♦ https://github.com/bkeroack/elita

(2013) REST service for performing application deployments to discrete servers (similar to AWS CodeDeploy) utilizing git deltas.

EDUCATION

Postbaccalaureate. Economics State University of New York at Albany (UAlbany)

2011

BS, Biology

State University of New York at Albany (UAlbany)

2010

Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Minor in Portugeuse