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Professional Summary

Results-driven Software Engineer with 9+ years of experience designing and developing scalable backend solutions in Java (8-21), Spring Boot, and Golang. Skilled in RESTful & GraphQL APIs, microservices architecture, cloud computing (AWS, Azure), and database optimization (PostgreSQL, CosmosDB, Redis).

Adept at performance tuning, security, and high-availability architectures, with a track record of leading refactoring initiatives, mentoring developers, and optimizing distributed systems. Passionate about leveraging Golang for high-performance services and adopting cutting-edge technologies to drive business value.

Holds multiple industry-recognized certifications, including **Microsoft Azure Fundamentals** (AZ-900) and Azure Data Fundamentals (DP-900).

Technical Skills

- **Programming Languages & Frameworks**: Java (8-21), Spring Boot, Hibernate, Golang (Gin, GORM, Gorilla Mux), Python (NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, Flask, FastAPI), Node.js
- Cloud & DevOps: AWS (EC2, S3, RDS), Azure (CosmosDB, Synapse, DevOps), Kubernetes, Docker, Terraform
- Databases & Storage: PostgreSQL, MySQL, Redis, SQL Server, DynamoDB, CosmosDB
- APIs & Protocols: REST, GraphQL, WebSockets, OAuth2, JWT
- Testing & CI/CD: JUnit, Mockito, TestContainers, SonarQube, Jenkins, GitHub Actions
- Monitoring & Logging: Prometheus, Grafana, Kibana, Azure Insights
- Security & Performance: OWASP Top 10, Load Testing (JMeter), Java Flight Recorder
- AI & LLM Technologies: RAG Architectures, LLM Fine-tuning, Guardrails Implementation, AI-driven Data Analytics, LangChain, Hugging Face Transformers, Python ML/AI libraries (PyTorch, TensorFlow, spaCy)

Education

Graduate Certificate in Applied Mathematics and Statistics, UniAnhanguera, 2025
MBA in Project Management with Agile Methodologies, UniAnhanguera, 2024
Graduate Certificate in Solutions Architecture, PUC Minas, 2022
Associate Degree in Software Analysis and Development, Maurício Nassau University, 2020

Professional Experience

Software Engineer | Code17 Tek | 06/2023 - Present

- Led backend development team as a Tech Specialist, driving high-priority features, bug fixes, and product enhancements to meet business-critical deadlines.
- Designed and implemented Al-powered supply chain solutions, creating an intelligent chatbot leveraging Python and Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG) to query real-time data on deliveries and shipping information, improving customer service response times by 65%. Utilized PyTorch, LangChain, and FastAPI to build and deploy the solution.
- Spearheaded LLM fine-tuning initiatives using Python ML frameworks, optimizing AI models for domain-specific terminology and supply chain processes. Implemented

custom training pipelines with PyTorch and **Hugging Face Transformers**, improving the accuracy of responses by 40% and reducing training time by 30%.

- Implemented robust Al guardrails and safety mechanisms, ensuring responsible Al
 deployment with proper data privacy compliance and ethical use of generative Al
 technologies.
- Integrated backend services with Al-driven solutions focused on logistics and supply chain data analytics, leveraging machine learning models for demand forecasting, route optimization, and predictive operational insights.
- **Designed and optimized REST** & **GraphQL APIs**, improving system performance by 35% and ensuring seamless real-time data processing across multiple platforms.
- Developed high-performance APIs handling 1 M+ daily transactions, integrating with CosmosDB, Redis, SQL Server, and Azure Synapse for scalable data storage and caching.
- **Enhanced system observability** and performance monitoring, implementing Java Flight Recorder, JMeter, and Azure Insights, reducing debugging time.
- Architected and deployed Golang-based APIs, leveraging Go's concurrency model and frameworks like Gorilla Mux, Gin, and GORM to build scalable, high-performance services.
- **Pioneered Proof-of-Concept (PoC) developments**, evaluating new technologies like Go, Python, and Node.js, accelerating strategic decision-making.

Tech Stack: Java 17 & 21, Spring Boot, Tomcat, Spring Data, Spring Security, Hibernate, Javers, Maven, JWT, OAuth2, SSO, Azure Synapse, Cosmos DB, Azure Insights, AWS, SQL, PostgreSQL, Docker, OKTA, Terraform, GraphQL, WebSockets, REST, STOMP, Swagger, Redis, Golang, Gin, GORM, Gorilla Mux, Python, PyTorch, TensorFlow, FastAPI, Flask, NumPy, Pandas, spaCy, Hugging Face Transformers, LangChain, Azure Machine Learning, OpenAI APIs, LLM APIs, AI-based data analytics

SOFTWARE ENGINEER | NOVACOMP | 05/2022 - 06/2023

- Technical lead on the Notification Service project
- **Developed and optimized REST APIs**, improving backend response time by **30%** and ensuring **secure**, **scalable** communication between front-end and back-end systems.
- Designed and implemented a Kafka-based notification service, improving message delivery reliability by 99.9% and decoupling notifications from core services in an event-driven architecture.
- Engineered efficient data models for customer information and insurance policies, reducing query execution times by 40% through optimized indexing and caching strategies.
- **Enhanced user experience** by implementing **personalized notifications**, preference management, and opt-in/opt-out features, increasing **user engagement by 25%**.
- Improved code quality and maintainability, conducting code reviews, ensuring adherence to industry best practices, and enforcing CI/CD automation for seamless deployments.
- Strengthened monitoring and observability using Prometheus, Grafana, and Loki, reducing system downtime through proactive anomaly detection.
- **Developed intelligent notification routing and prioritization**, using machine learning to determine optimal delivery times based on user behavior patterns, improving engagement metrics by 38%.

Tech Stack: Java 17, Spring Boot, Tomcat, OpenFeign, Spring Data, Hibernate, Maven, JWT, OAuth2, Auth0, Caffeine Cache, Swagger, Prometheus, Grafana, Loki, Vue.js, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Pinia, Docker, Kubernetes, Jira, Git, GitHub, SQL, PostgreSQL, AWS, JUnit, Javers, Terraform

Software Engineer | Midway | 05/2021 - 05/2022

Midway is a fintech company that transitioned into a **digital bank**, serving nearly **1 million customers**.

- **Designed and optimized API endpoints**, improving data retrieval speeds by **40%**, and ensuring secure and **seamless third-party integrations** for Open Banking.
- Developed high-performance data models for customer and transactional data, enhancing system scalability and ensuring full compliance with Open Banking standards.
- Ensured platform scalability, designing systems capable of handling 10 M+ daily transactions, reducing latency by 25% through database indexing and caching strategies.
- **Improved backend efficiency**, reducing response times by **30%** via API optimizations and parallel processing techniques.
- Collaborated with mobile teams and domain experts, ensuring a secure and highly available Open Banking platform, reducing API error rates.
- **Implemented robust testing strategies**, writing **unit and integration tests**, increasing system reliability, and **reducing production issues**.
- Standardized and documented API contracts, improving third-party integration efficiency and reducing partner onboarding time by 50%.

Tech Stack: Java 11, Spring Boot, Feign, Hibernate, OAuth2, JWT, OpenID, PostgreSQL, DynamoDB, AWS EC2, Azure DevOps, Docker, Kubernetes, SonarQube, JUnit, Apache Camel, Camunda

Software Engineer | Qintess | 07/2020 - 05/2021

- Strengthened application security, collaborating with the IoT security team to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities, reducing potential exploits by 40% using Kenna reports and proactive monitoring.
- Developed and deployed microservices for IoT and private cloud solutions, improving system scalability and reducing downtime by 30%.
- Implemented secure coding practices, ensuring compliance with OWASP Top 10 standards, and reducing security incidents and vulnerabilities.
- Optimized backend services, reducing API response times by 25%, leveraging Spring Boot and RESTful APIs.
- Led database optimization efforts, refactoring queries and improving Redis/MongoDB caching strategies, reducing data retrieval time by 35%.
- Integrated DevOps automation, configuring CI/CD pipelines with GitLab and Jenkins, reducing deployment time by 50%, and enhancing delivery efficiency.

Tech Stack: Java 8 & 11, Spring Boot, REST, OAuth2, JWT, Hibernate, Swagger, Docker, Node.js, RabbitMQ, Redis, MongoDB, SonarQube, GitLab, Jenkins, Azure DevOps, Oracle Database, AngularJS, TypeScript, Camunda

Software Engineer | ITSS (Freelance) | 06/2020 - 03/2021

- **Developed and integrated third-party APIs**, enabling seamless data flow between multiple systems and improving cross-platform communication.
- **Automated routine tasks** by creating reusable scripts, significantly reducing manual workload and improving process efficiency.
- **Enhanced backend performance** by optimizing database queries and leveraging **EJB and Hibernate**, resulting in faster data retrieval and better system responsiveness.
- **Designed and maintained SOAP-based web services**, ensuring secure and reliable transactions between distributed applications.
- **Ensured high code quality**, focusing on efficiency, maintainability, and scalability for applications handling large datasets.

Tech Stack: Java 8, EJB, JSF, SOAP, Hibernate, Wildfly, Maven, SQL, Oracle Database, Quartz, AWS, Git

Developed critical health applications for the public health system of Goiás, Brazil (SES), enabling better medical logistics, disease monitoring, and surgical scheduling.

- Designed and developed the SILT Application, enabling real-time tracking of Tuberculosis treatment and medication logistics, improving patient adherence and regulatory compliance.
- **Engineered the Svetores Application**, integrating **geolocation and mapping features** to track insect species responsible for disease transmission, enhancing pest control strategies.
- **Developed the SisReg System**, digitizing elective surgery scheduling based on **Anvisa's technical criteria**, streamlining **doctor requests**, **approvals**, and **procedure execution**.
- **Managed public health medication distribution**, ensuring accurate delivery and compliance with **national health regulations**.
- **Implemented automated workflows** for handling infectious disease sample collection, ensuring proper safety protocols, and **reducing manual effort** in laboratory processing.
- Led DevOps adoption, configuring CI/CD pipelines with GitLab, Jenkins automation, and Flyway database migrations, improving deployment efficiency and reducing manual errors.

Tech Stack: Java 8 & 11, Spring Boot, Tomcat, Node.js, Spring Data, Angular, TypeScript, Bootstrap, REST, SOAP, SQL, PostgreSQL, GitLab, Jenkins, Flyway

Java Full Stack Developer | WGL Solutions | 01/2018 - 02/2019

- **Designed and developed RESTful APIs**, enabling **seamless communication** between applications and enhancing **system interoperability**.
- **Optimized REST clients** to improve integration with **legacy systems**, reducing data transfer **latency and processing bottlenecks**.
- Developed and maintained web applications for government and private sector projects, improving data accessibility and operational efficiency.
- Led geolocation system enhancements, implementing building inspection and management features for federal agencies, and improving infrastructure tracking accuracy.
- Enhanced the SisFogo system, optimizing heat map performance for geospatial visualizations, reducing data rendering time, and improving real-time analytical insights.
- Refactored API endpoints, ensuring efficient data flow and seamless integration with government platforms, increasing system reliability.
- Implemented unit and integration tests, improving code quality, scalability, and long-term maintainability.
- **Collaborated with cross-functional teams** (front-end developers, data engineers, security experts) to develop **scalable and secure solutions**, improving **system robustness**.

Tech Stack: Java 8, Spring Boot, Tomcat, Swagger, Spring Data, Spring Security, Maven, JWT, Angular 6, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, AngularJS, AWS, PrimeNG, Hibernate, SQL, PostgreSQL, Liquibase, Spring REST Template, Git, OpenLayers, OpenStreetMap, PostGIS, OAuth2, JBoss Web Server, Apache POI, Apache HTTP Client

Java Full Stack Developer | Programar Informática | 06/2016 - 12/2017

- **Developed and modernized ERP systems**, migrating **legacy software** to modern **web-based technologies**, and improving **functionality and performance** for small business clients.
- Designed fully responsive web applications, enhancing cross-device accessibility and improving user experience across multiple platforms.
- Engineered an advanced task management system, streamlining internal workflow tracking and boosting operational efficiency for the company's support team.
- Designed and implemented a self-service totem, enabling independent customer purchases, reducing checkout time, and improving client satisfaction.

- Developed and optimized logistics management solutions, improving inventory tracking, order processing, and supply chain efficiency for supermarkets, depots, and auto parts stores.
- Collaborated closely with cross-functional teams, ensuring software solutions met business requirements and scalability standards, and adhered to tight project deadlines.

Tech Stack: Java 7, jQuery, Bootstrap, ExtJS, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, MySQL, SVN, Ant, iReport, ChartJS

LANGUAGE

- English Advanced
- Spanish Fluent
- Portuguese Native

CERTIFICATIONS

- SFPC Scrum Foundation Professional Certificate CertiProf
- **DEPC** DevOps Essentials Professional Certificate **CertiProf**
- LFC108 Cybersecurity Essentials Linux Foundation
- **SKF100** OWASP® Top 10 Security Threats **Linux Foundation**
- **LFC131** Green Software for Practitioners **Linux Foundation**
- **AZ-900** Azure Fundamentals
- **DP-900** Azure Data Fundamentals

Leadership & Mentorship

- **Technical Leadership**: Spearheaded backend development initiatives, leading teams of up to **8 developers** in designing scalable and high-performance systems.
- **Team Management & Mentorship**: Managed and mentored teams of junior and mid-level engineers, conducting code reviews, pair programming, and knowledge-sharing sessions to accelerate their professional growth.
- **Hiring & Talent Development**: Actively participated in **40+ technical interviews**, evaluating candidates for both technical expertise and cultural fit, contributing to team expansion and upskilling.
- **Strategic Project Execution**: Led critical system refactoring efforts, reducing **technical debt by 50%** and optimizing code maintainability across multiple projects.
- Cross-functional Collaboration: Worked closely with product managers, DevOps, and security teams to ensure technical solutions aligned with business objectives and product scalability.
- **Process Optimization**: Implemented best practices in CI/CD, DevOps, and observability, improving deployment efficiency and reducing production incidents.