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Summary

Principal Engineer with 9 years building high-throughput, cloud-native systems (up to 25k rps) in fintech and SaaS. Expert in Golang, Python, TypeScript, AWS and Kubernetes; reduced infra spend by 30 % in 2024. Passionate about clean architecture and mentoring teams.

Skills

Languages: Go (5 yrs), Python (4 yrs), TypeScript (React, Node)

Cloud & DevOps: AWS (EKS, SQS, Kinesis), GCP, Docker, Kubernetes, Terraform, GitHub Actions

Data & Messaging: Postgres, Redis, Kafka

AI/ML: PyTorch, scikit-learn

Experience

liftOS GmbH — Co Founder - Principal Engineer | Berlin | Jul 2021 – Present

All-in-one AI productivity suite • Pre-seed \$1 M (Oct 2022) • Team: 5 full-time + 5 contractors

Stack: Go (real-time APIs) • Python + OpenAI & Anthropic Claude (agent services) • Laravel PHP (core SaaS)
Electron (desktop) • Qdrant (vector DB, +5 M embeddings) • PostgreSQL • Redis
Google Workspace APIs (Calendar, Drive, Gmail) • AWS EKS • Terraform • GitHub Actions

- Split a Laravel monolith into 8 Go services (messaging, task, file) and Python **AI Employee agent services**, cutting p95 latency **55%** ($\approx 280\text{ ms} \rightarrow \approx 125\text{ ms}$) and sustaining $\approx 3\text{ k rps}$ for beta customers.
- **Built autonomous LLM agents** (OpenAI + Anthropic) that execute onboarding, data management and work automation workflows $\approx 400\text{ tasks/day}$ with **< 2% human escalation**—using **Qdrant** for long-term memory (+5 M embeddings).
- **Integrated Google Workspace (OAuth2, Calendar, Drive, Gmail)** so users can sync docs & meetings in two clicks; reduced manual import time **from 15 min to < 30 sec** per workspace.
- **Architected and shipped a cross-platform Electron desktop app** (Chromium subprocess pool) that embeds any web page inside liftOS; achieved **> 500 downloads in first 30 days** with crash-free rate **> 99%**.
- Terraform-provisioned AWS EKS (multi-AZ, auto-scales to 60 vCPU) and migrated 100% workloads off EC2, trimming infra spend $\approx \text{€}30\text{ k/year}$.
- Authored technical deep-dive for VC due-diligence, directly supporting the **US \$1 M pre-seed raise**.

Bitexen.com | Senior Backend Developer | Istanbul, Turkey | Jun 2019 - Jul 2021

FinTech / crypto exchange • 1 M+ registered users

Stack: Python / Django, Postgres, Redis, Celery, AWS

- Scaled the Django-based trading engine to **30k concurrent users** and **15 M order events/day** by sharding Postgres and queueing writes with Celery.
- Integrated Ethereum smart-contract wallets (ERC-20) for on-chain deposits/withdrawals
- Introduced Redis result caching and index-tuning that cut order-book API **p95 latency 40%** and reduced **DB CPU load 25%**.
- Built a real-time balance-update service in Go that publishes events via **AWS SQS**.

Aidy — Technical Consultant (Contract) Istanbul | Dec 2019 – Sep 2020

Consultancy • Kubernetes, Github Actions, Terraform, Prometheus/Grafana

- Designed **Github Actions CI/CD pipeline** for 20+ micro-services; **deployment time dropped from 30 min to 8 min** and rollbacks became 1-click.
- Deployed **Prometheus + Grafana** with custom SLO dashboards.
- Migrated legacy Ansible scripts to **Terraform modules**, eliminating config drift and enabling reproducible staging environments in < 10 min.
- Trained two client teams (**5 engineers**) on deployment pipelines.

LuxFox GmbH — Full-Stack Developer (Contract) Berlin | Nov 2018 – May 2019

On-demand Beauty, Wellness & Fitness marketplace for busy professionals

- Delivered 2 Go micro-services (booking, inventory, payments) that powered the real-time matching of stylists to users; maintained **99.9% uptime** through peak holiday demand.
- Exposed versioned **REST + WebSocket APIs** for iOS/Android apps and integrated Stripe subscriptions.

Poltio — Backend Developer New York | Nov 2016 – Jul 2019

Interactive polling & engagement platform • Go, Laravel, NGINX, GCP

Developed Go micro-services that handled **20 M+ monthly API calls** at **< 120 ms p99 latency** for social-polling widgets embedded on media sites.

Built an edge **image-proxy service** (Go + NGINX) with dynamic resizing and CDN caching, cutting outbound bandwidth **30%**.

Added campaign-builder features in **Laravel**.

Implemented background workers (Go) for analytics aggregation.

Education

Cukurova University | Turkey

Computer Science

Certificates

AWS Certified Developer - Associate

Open Source Projects

• **GoVisual (Go, 450+ ★)** - A lightweight, zero-configuration HTTP request visualization and debugging tool for Go web applications that provides real-time middleware tracing and request inspection during development. Reached 100+ stars on GitHub within the first day of release.

<https://github.com/doganarif/govisual>

• **LLMDog (Go, 70 ★)** – CLI that turns repos into LLM-ready Markdown bundles; Bubble Tea TUI, .gitignore-aware.

<https://github.com/doganarif/llmdog>

• **GIQ (Go, 12 ★)** – AI-powered git wrapper that suggests commit messages with AI and surfaces smart status insights.

<https://github.com/doganarif/giq>

• **LangChain-DeepResearch (Python, 10 ★)** – Autonomous, recursive research agent for any LangChain-compatible LLM.

<https://github.com/doganarif/langchain-deepresearch>