

Dan Miller

SOFTWARE ENGINEER · LIFELONG LEARNER · GAME DEVELOPER

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“Be the change that you want to see in the world.”

Summary

Lead cloud engineer at fintech startup Dispute.com. Provided technical leadership and onboarded a team of 3 engineers, building a strong culture of documentation and testing. 8+ years of varied experience in software engineering specializing in backend development, software architecture, and real time applications. Strong communication skills, with a proven track record of leading teams to clarity on future and current products.

I love to learn new languages as well as deep learning every detail of more frequently used tools. Currently learning Rust, Bevy, and Vim. Specialist in C#, dotnet core, Unity, and Terraform. Excited by working with highly performant and reliable software with passionate teammates.

Work Experience

Dunamu Inc.

DEVOPS ENGINEER

Seoul, S.Korea

Sep. 2023 - Present

Danggeun Pay Inc. (KarrotPay)

FOUNDING MEMBER & SITE RELIABILITY ENGINEER & INFRASTRUCTURE TEAM LEAD

Seoul, S.Korea

Mar. 2021 - Jun. 2023

- Everything that matters.
- Designed and provisioned the entire infrastructure on the AWS cloud to meet security compliance and acquire a business license for financial services in Korea.
- Continuously improved the infrastructure architecture since launching the service. (currently 3.6 million users)
- Established a standardized base for declarative management of infrastructures and service deployments, enabling operational efficiency and consistency. Over 90% of AWS resources were all managed through standardized terraform modules. All add-ons and service workloads on the Kubernetes cluster were managed on a GitOps basis with Kustomize and ArgoCD.
- Saved over 30% of the overall AWS costs by establishing a quarterly purchasing strategy for RI (Reserved Instance) and SP (Savings Plan) and by introducing Graviton instances.
- Established a core architecture for regulating of outbound DNS traffic in multi-account and multi-VPC environments utilizing AWS Route53 DNS Firewall and FMS. This significantly increased the level of security confidence in the financial sector's segregated environment.
- Introduced Okta employee identity solution in the company, establishing security policies and configuring SSO integration with over 20 enterprise systems including AWS, GitHub, Slack, Google Workspace. Set up a Hub and Spoke architecture, enabling a collaborative account structure with the parent company, Daangn Market.

Danggeun Market Inc.

SITE RELIABILITY ENGINEER

Seoul, S.Korea

Feb. 2021 - Mar. 2021

Kasa

FOUNDING MEMBER & DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE DIVISION

Seoul, S.Korea

Jun. 2018 - Jan. 2021

- Designed on-boarding process to guide new engineers, help them to focus on the right tasks, and set expectations to help them be successful at Infrastructure team.
- Migrated the orchestration system from DC/OS to Kubernetes which is based on AWS EKS. Managed 3 Kubernetes clusters and 300+ pods. Managed all Kubernetes manifests declaratively with Kustomize and ArgoCD.
- Designed and managed complex network configurations on AWS with 4 VPC and 100+ subnets. Separated the development network and operation network according to financial regulations. Established dedicated network connections from AWS VPC to partners' on-premise network based on AWS Direct Connect with secure connection using IPsec VPN. Provisioned OpenVPN servers with LDAP integration.
- Provisioned a observability system with Kafka, Elastic Stack(Filebeat, Heartbeat, APM Server, Logstash, Elasticsearch, Kibana). Collected log, uptime, tracing data from hosts, containers, pods and more. The ES cluster which has 9 nodes processed more than 1 billion documents per month. Wrote Terraform module to easily provision ES cluster on AWS EC2 instances.
- Provisioned a monitoring system with Kafka, Telegraf, InfluxDB, Grafana. Collected metrics from hosts, containers, pods and more. Wrote Terraform module to easily provision InfluxDB with HA on AWS EC2 instances.
- Introduced Kong API Gateway to easily connect all API microservices with a declarative management method based on Terraform and Atlantis to collaborate and audit change history.
- Provisioned the Directory Service for employee identity management based on OpenLDAP which guarantees HA with multi-master replication.
- Implemented Worker microservices consuming Kafka event topics for email, SMS, KakaoTalk and Slack notification. Developed in-house framework to easily build Kafka consumer microservice with common features including retry on failure, DLQ(Dead Letter Queue), event routing and more.
- Introduced Elastic APM to help distributed tracing, trouble-shooting and performance testing in MSA.

Omnious. Co., Ltd.

Seoul, S.Korea

SOFTWARE ARCHITECT

Jun. 2017 - May. 2018

- Provisioned an easily managable hybrid infrastructure(Amazon AWS + On-premise) utilizing IaC(Infrastructure as Code) tools like Ansible, Packer and Terraform.
- Built fully automated CI/CD pipelines on CircleCI for containerized applications using Docker, AWS ECR and Rancher.
- Designed an overall service architecture and pipelines of the Machine Learning based Fashion Tagging API SaaS product with the micro-services architecture.
- Implemented several API microservices in Node.js Koa and in the serverless AWS Lambda functions.
- Deployed a centralized logging environment(ELK, Filebeat, CloudWatch, S3) which gather log data from docker containers and AWS resources.
- Deployed a centralized monitoring environment(Grafana, InfluxDB, CollectD) which gather system metrics as well as docker run-time metrics.

PLAT Corp.

Seoul, S.Korea

CO-FOUNDER & SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Jan. 2016 - Jun. 2017

- Implemented RESTful API server for car rental booking application(CARPLAT in Google Play).
- Built and deployed overall service infrastructure utilizing Docker container, CircleCI, and several AWS stack(Including EC2, ECS, Route 53, S3, CloudFront, RDS, ElastiCache, IAM), focusing on high-availability, fault tolerance, and auto-scaling.
- Developed an easy-to-use Payment module which connects to major PG(Payment Gateway) companies in Korea.

R.O.K Cyber Command, MND

Seoul, S.Korea

SOFTWARE ENGINEER & SECURITY RESEARCHER (COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE)

Aug. 2014 - Apr. 2016

- Lead engineer on agent-less backtracking system that can discover client device's fingerprint(including public and private IP) independently of the Proxy, VPN and NAT.

ShitOne Corp.

Seoul, S.Korea

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Dec. 2011 - Feb. 2012

- Developed a proxy drive smartphone application which connects proxy driver and customer.
- Implemented overall Android application logic and wrote API server for community service, along with lead engineer who designed bidding protocol on raw socket and implemented API server for bidding.

Honors & Awards

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

2021	2nd Place , AWS ASEAN AI/ML GameDay	Online
2020	Finalist , DEFCON 28th CTF Hacking Competition World Final	Las Vegas, U.S.A
2018	Finalist , DEFCON 26th CTF Hacking Competition World Final	Las Vegas, U.S.A
2017	Finalist , DEFCON 25th CTF Hacking Competition World Final	Las Vegas, U.S.A
2014	Finalist , DEFCON 22nd CTF Hacking Competition World Final	Las Vegas, U.S.A
2013	Finalist , DEFCON 21st CTF Hacking Competition World Final	Las Vegas, U.S.A
2011	Finalist , DEFCON 19th CTF Hacking Competition World Final	Las Vegas, U.S.A

DOMESTIC AWARDS

2021	2nd Place , AWS Korea GameDay	Seoul, S.Korea
2015	3rd Place , WITHCON Hacking Competition Final	Seoul, S.Korea
2017	Silver Prize , KISA HDCON Hacking Competition Final	Seoul, S.Korea
2013	Silver Prize , KISA HDCON Hacking Competition Final	Seoul, S.Korea

COMMUNITY

- 2022 - **AWS Community Builder (Container)**, Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- 2022 - **HashiCorp Ambassador**, HashiCorp
- 2018 - **Organizer of HashiCorp Korea User Group**, HashiCorp

Certificates

- 2023 **AWS Certified Advanced Networking - Specialty**, Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- 2022 **AWS Certified Security - Specialty**, Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- 2022 **AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Professional**, Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- 2021 **AWS Certified SysOps Administrator – Associate**, Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- 2020 **Certified Kubernetes Application Developer (CKAD)**, The Linux Foundation
- 2023 **HashiCorp Certified: Consul Associate (002)**, HashiCorp
- 2023 **HashiCorp Certified: Terraform Associate (003)**, HashiCorp

Education

MSOE

B.S. IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

- Some stuff happened.

Milwaukee, WI
Sept. 2012 - May 2017