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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I bring almost three decades of real-world experience across web development, QA automation, software engineering, DevOps, and system architecture. Currently adopting and building AI-powered toolchains to boost productivity and code quality—designed not just for individual velocity and quality, but as scalable frameworks for future-ready teams.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Head of Development / Systems Cloud Architect   Nov 2020 - Oct 2024

Immotege (Leonberg, Germany)

Led architecture and dev team at FinTech startup building multi-tenant SaaS using modular monolith and microservices.

· Designed multi-tenancy SaaS using TALL Stack + Laravel Ecosystem and microservices
· Built and led a team of 6 devs, mentoring junior staff
· Built hybrid cloud infrastructure: Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, OpenShift
· Implemented CI/CD pipelines via GitLab
· Translated complete PRD and technical docs

Senior Backend Developer   Jul 2016 - Sep 2020

ITPlusX (Stuttgart, Germany)

Developed APIs and transitioned legacy systems to scalable microservices.

· Built Laravel/Lumen REST APIs
· Migrated legacy monoliths to microservices
· Introduced Selenium/Docker-based end-to-end testing
· Maintained and built Typo3/CMS extensions
· Internal and Client Server Management, Linux and Windows

Senior Backend Developer   Apr 2015 - Jun 2016

Werbewelt (Stuttgart, Germany)

Laravel development for headless CMS and eCommerce sites.

· Introduced Git/GitLab workflows
· Maintained Magento eCommerce sites
· Integrated social media APIs

PHP Developer / Infrastructure Engineer   Jan 2014 - May 2015

boingMedia (Goeppingen, Germany)

Modernized internal tooling and maintained infrastructure.

· Refactored code to object-oriented PHP
· Maintained 99.9% infrastructure uptime

Lead QA / Developer   Feb 2009 - Jan 2010

IHG (Atlanta, GA)

Worked on QA automation and backend development for global hospitality systems.

· Automated regression testing pipelines
· Collaborated with devs on backend fixes and features

Lead QA Automation Engineer   Mar 2008 - Nov 2008

ChannelAdvisor (Atlanta, GA)

Tested and validated eCommerce optimization systems.

· Used FitNesse, shell scripts, and Selenium for testing
· Improved coverage and regression test quality

Senior QA Automation Engineer   Dec 2004 - Jan 2008

VeriSign (Atlanta, GA)

Led automation QA for critical infrastructure systems.

· Used WinRunner, LoadRunner, and shell scripting
· Implemented test automation and infrastructure monitoring
· Help drive UAT efforts for clients

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Senior QA / Automation Engineer   Feb 2002 - Nov 2004

mediaOcean (Atlanta, GA)

Led QA for media and ad tech software systems.

- Established code driven automation practices
- Worked on distributed QA across teams

Web Developer / Lead QA Engineer   Aug 1996 - Jan 2002

CNN (Atlanta, GA)

Pioneered early web systems and project leadership for CNN and associated brands.

- Participated in the construction of first CMS platforms at CNN
- Led major content projects for CNN, NASCAR, and Cartoon Network
- Wrote various internal Perl modules
- Wrote early plug-in/extension for proprietary systems.

EDUCATION

Continued Learning Courses in Computer Science & Systems   Jan 1999 - Jan 2000

Georgia Institute of Technology

Relevant coursework: C Programming, Perl Programming, Unix System Administration

Bachelor's (not completed) in Music Theory / Music Industry Management   Jan 1992 - Jan 1994

Georgia State University

SKILLS

Programming

PHP (object-oriented)   Python   JavaScript   TypeScript   C   Shell

Infrastructure

Linux (Any)   Docker   Kubernetes   AWS   OpenShift   VMware   Proxmox   IoC   Terraform   Helm   Ansible   Windows (rarely)

Architecture

Modular Monolith   Microservices   Event-Driven   API-First

Testing

TDD   PHPUnit   Pest   Jest   Selenium   Cypress   Nightwatch

DevOps

GitLab CI/CD   GitHub Actions   ArgonCD

Observability

ELK Stack   Grafana   Prometheus   Sentry

Security & Privacy

GDPR   PCI DSS   HIPAA   SOC2   OWASP

Additional

Leadership   Mentoring   Project Management   Agile   Scrum   Technical Writing

LANGUAGES

EN   English   Native
DE   German   Fluent

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PROJECTS

Semblance AI and RAG System (https://github.com/eooo-io/semblance-ai)