

# Florian Vallen

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“There are two major products that come out of Berkeley: LSD and UNIX. We don't believe this to be a coincidence”  
Jeremy S. Anderson

## Skills

<b>Programming</b>	Typescript, Ruby, JAVA
<b>AI</b>	Usage of Stable Diffusion and Flux together with Comfyui to generate images using a prompt
<b>Databases</b>	SQL, MongoDB, postgres
<b>Libraries</b>	<b>Next.js, React</b> , React Native, <b>GraphQL, Jest, Playwright, Rails, Rspec</b> , tailwind, Node.JS, leaflet, bootstrap, jquery, materialUI, shadcn
<b>Services</b>	Heroku, Aptible, Cloud66, AWS ECR, AWS EC2
<b>General</b>	TDD, ESP32, microcontrollers
<b>Languages</b>	English (Full professional proficiency), German (native language), Spanish (good)

## Work experience

### New Work SE

Hamburg, Germany

FULL STACK DEVELOPER WITH RUBY AND REACT/NEXT.JS

January 2023 - March 2026

- Implementation of GDPR and new EU DSA laws
- Management of storybook component library
- maintenance of several Ruby on Rails admin apps
- Next.js v15 development using react server components
- Kubernetes cluster management and deployment of containerized applications
- Built fully automated CI/CD pipelines on Github Actions for containerized applications using Docker, Kubernetes and AWS ECR.

### Hitchlog

Leipzig, Germany

FOUNDER & SOFTWARE ENGINEER OF THE HITCHLOG - A LOGBOOK FOR HITCHHIKERS

2013 - present

- My open source hobby project used by over a thousand hitchhikers
- Development of Next.js app together with Ruby on Rails api
- Test driven development of the Rails API
- Community management

### HelloBetter

Berlin, Germany

NEXT.JS FRONTEND DEVELOPMENT

October 2019 - November 2022

- Next.js development with typescript
- Development of three separate next.js apps connected with microservices in the backend

### Devolute, Finiata, Redbull

Berlin, Germany

RUBY SOFTWARE DEVELOPER, FREELANCER

September 2017 - July 2019

- Rails 5.2
- Creating and testing a service object that communicates with an API of a credit card service
- Performance improvement of rails API that communicates with a react app

### AskCharlie

Berlin, Germany

RUBY SOFTWARE DEVELOPER, FREELANCER

November. 2015 - August 2017

- Ruby on Rails Development
- Applying a redesign to make it more mobile friendly.
- Develop a RESTful API in rails that communicates with an Angular app

### Inspire9

Melbourne, Australia

RUBY ON RAILS DEVELOPER

June 2013 - January 2014

- Ruby on Rails Development
- Software Consultancy
- Development of a social network with backbone.js

### Wimdu

Berlin, Germany

RUBY ON RAILS DEVELOPER

May 2012 - July 2012

- Fulltext search engine for listings

## Wuaki.tv

RUBY ON RAILS DEVELOPER

- Web development
- Job queues with delayed job

Barcelona, Spain

October 2010 - March 2011

## Teambox

RUBY ON RAILS DEVELOPER

Barcelona, Spain

June 2009 - November 2009

- Rails web development

## Education

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### Heinrich-Heine-University

BACHELOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Düsseldorf

Sep. 2006 - Sep. 2010

- Erasmus exchange program absolved at technical university in Madrid
- Thesis: A Comparison Of No SQL And SQL Databases Regarding Development Practices And Performance.

### Albert Einstein Gymnasium

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (GERMAN ABITUR)

Duisburg

1997 - 2006

## Research

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### A Comparison Of NoSQL And SQL Databases Regarding Development Practices And Performance

Düsseldorf, Germany

BACHELOR THESIS

Aug. 2010

This thesis analyses the current development status of NoSql databases. It first describes the general properties of NoSQL databases that can make them a favourable choice. Then it concentrates specifically on document-oriented and key-value stores, which are different kinds of NoSQL databases. The document-oriented database MongoDB has been taken as an example to show the basic functionality of such a NoSQL database.

## Projects

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### Hitchlog - social network for hitchhikers

Open Source Project

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<https://hitchlog.com>

- As a young 19 year old, I found hitchhiking as an adventurous way of travelling. Since I found it very interesting to meet people that I would never meet in my day to day life, I founded this app to write about my hitchhiking experiences and the people that I met along the way.
- Development of an open source rails/react project where users can share and explore hitchhiking experiences.
- source code is available on <https://github.com/flov/hitchlog-api> and <https://github.com/flov/hitchlog-nextjs>