

IONUT-CRISTIAN FLORESCU

High-profile TypeScript, React, Next.js & Node.js Developer

Creator of [Mantine DataTable](#), [tRPC-SvelteKit](#), [PocketBaseUML](#) and other open-source projects vetted and trusted by the developers community and used by many startups across the world, totaling more than 3.8k stars on GitHub and 2.5+ millions [NPM downloads](#) per year.

Contributor to [tRPC.io](#), [Mantine](#), [TanStack Application Builders](#).



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RELEVANT SKILLS

TypeScript / Javascript



React / Next.js / TanStack



Svelte & SvelteKit



Node.js



UI - HTML / DOM / CSS



DB - SQL / PostgreSQL



Software Design Patterns



AWS / Azure / Vercel



IN A NUTSHELL

Full-stack developer with **25+ years of experience**, leaning heavily towards React front-end.

Proud and passionate OSS author, contributor and maintainer.

Worked for small companies and multinational corporations between 1998 and 2007, with a wide set of technologies ranging from PHP and MySQL to C#, Java & Oracle.

Switched to a startup-oriented mindset and tech-stack around 2008. Currently focusing on web applications development with **TypeScript, React (Next.js, Waku, TanStack), tRPC and Node.js/Bun**.

Curious by nature, an avid reader of fantasy, fiction, business & tech-related literature, always looking to expand my skill-set and horizons, to understand how things work and to make them work better.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE



Senior Full-Stack Developer | Contractor

OSS Author & Maintainer

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Since 2008

Capitalizing on the previous decade achievements, I'm currently working as an independent contractor for various customers across the world and open-source software developer.

Acted as a founder, co-founder, technology partner and catalyzer in various projects and initiatives, both commercial and open-source.

Built projects from design to implementation, feeling right-at-home working directly with customers and small-business owners.

Please refer to my [GitHub profile](#) for more info on the set of technologies I'm most comfortable with.

HUMAN LANGUAGES

- English (C1 - C2)
- French (A1 - A2)
- Romanian (native)

LIKES & DISLIKES

👉 open-source
lazy mornings
good coffee
trekking in the mountains
reading fantasy

👎 willful ignorance
hypocrisy
xenophobia
people talking b...t

PERSONAL Q & A

What is your super power?

Curiosity.

What words of wisdom do you live by?

I know enough to know that I don't know everything.

Which founder do you most admire?

Certainly not Elon Musk.

What's the most creative thing you've ever done?

Being a consultant and co-editor for "The King's Host" fantasy novel.

What's an obstacle you've overcome?

Fear of rejection, hopefully.

MORE WORK EXPERIENCE



Sweat-Equity Partner | Fractional CTO

LeasingSH.ro

Since 2013

Led the redevelopment and ongoing maintenance of Romania's first automotive leasing platform, established in 2010, which provides a diverse selection of new and pre-owned vehicles from over 100 trusted dealers across Romania and Germany.

As the sole/lead technical partner and business associate, I took over the project in 2013, rebuilding it multiple times with modern technologies and ensuring its technical success throughout its lifecycle.

Technology key-points:

V4 (2025 revamp)

- React, Next.js, TypeScript, tRPC, Mantine UI framework
- DrizzleORM & PostgreSQL
- Custom high-performance media processing & storage
- Data ingestion & AI processing automation pipeline

V3 (2015 revamp)

- Node.js backend, modern JavaScript
- Jade/Pug template engine
- Knex.js & PostgreSQL

V2 (2013 revamp)

- Node.js backend, CoffeeScript
- Jade/Pug template engine
- Mongoose & MongoDB
- Amazon S3 assets repository



Senior Full-Stack Developer

AJM Fleet Purchase

2020 — 2023

Built the automotive fleet purchase management application for AJM Business Services, an independent car trading company based in Belgium/Romania that specializes in B2B international fleet trading.

Technology key-points:

- React/Next.js, TypeScript
- Palantir Blueprint.js UI library + SCSS modules
- GraphQL / Hasura, PostgreSQL
- Application running on Amazon Lightsail w/ Docker
- Amazon S3 assets storage

FAVORITE STACK

- TypeScript
- React
- Mantine UI library
- Next.js / Waku / TanStack
- Prisma
- tRPC

MORE WORK EXPERIENCE



Tech Partner | Real-Estate Investment Advisor

Investment Romania

2008 — 2013

Following the experience accumulated while working for financial institutions, became part of a private-equity investment group focusing on Bucharest residential RE market.

The perfect timing helped me breaking-even, gaining a comfortable degree of financial independence and earning the privilege of being able to carefully pick my projects and work not only for money, but also for fun, challenge and to support my moral values.

FUN FACTS

"If coffee were a programming language, I'd be fluent."

"AI won't destroy humanity. Its misuse might, though."



From Software Developer to IT Manager in various companies

Allianz, Garanta Insurance/NBG, Frifugl, ANEVAR, etc.

1998 — 2007

Started my career in 1998, working as a network administrator for the first publicly-open Internet in Bucharest, then as a webmaster for the National Association of Romanian Valuers.

Worked as a web / software developer, starting with small companies such as Logic D&D Advertising and Frifugl Design AS, up to multinational financial corporations such as Allianz-Țiriac Romania and Garanta Insurance / National Bank of Greece.

LESSONS FROM MY JOURNEY

"When it comes to code, less is more."

"Becoming a field expert takes 10,000 hours, passion and curiosity. There are no shortcuts."

"Creating open-source software is hard work, offers no material rewards, and demands a lot of passion and dedication. I have no rational explanation for doing it. I'm probably just insane."

Employed a wide range of technologies and programming languages, such as:

- PHP & MySQL (around y2k)
- Java / J2EE + Sybase RDBMS (early 2000)
- C#/.NET + Oracle & SQL Server (mid to late 2000)

While at Allianz, I was part of a core-team of software engineers laying out the foundation of what was to become one of the best insurance software system based on Microsoft .NET & Oracle RDBMS.

This is a short version of my resume.

Summarizing two decades in two pages would be impossible. You can see the full version on [LinkedIn](#), but I'd be a lot happier if you'd pay a visit to my [GitHub](#) instead, as I believe it tells a better story of who I am, what I do, what my current top skills are and how I like to put them to use.

ARTICLES

Open-source, capitalism and democracy

Nov 2014

I earn part of my living by building commercial software and web applications, and yet I'm also a contributor and keen advocate of free software and the open-source development model. Read [the article](#) to learn why.

How we've built swapp.ro without external financing

Feb 2022

A [story](#) about the idea, development process, and tech-stack behind [swapp.ro](#).

Introducing PocketBaseUML

Mar 2023

PocketBase is the newest cool kid on the block when it comes to micro-backends. While it already comes with a fantastic UI (better than Supabase or Firebase, IMO), but I thought it was missing the ability to show the database architecture in a graphical form, easy to parse in a quick glance. [That's why I created PocketBaseUML](#), a free, open-source UML diagram generator/viewer.

Lean diffs for browser-based text editors

Jan 2016

[A study](#) on the internal mechanics of online content publishing systems that power the web (part of the documentation process for a commercial project). Blogs, news portals, arguably even the social networks — they all have one thing in common: some people produce and publish content for other people to read. And a still important part of that content is the almighty **text**.

OSS PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

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| | Delete Adam Krajcik | | |
| | Delete 2 selected records | | |
| Adrian Padberg | Adrian.Padberg@yahoo.com | Goldner, Rohan and | Games |
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Mantine DataTable

The lightweight, dependency-free table component that brings datagrid-like functionality to data-rich user interfaces built with Mantine UI framework, with dark-mode support and intuitive Gmail-style additive batch rows selection out of the box.

Since August 2022

Lightweight yet customizable

Supports [asynchronous data loading](#), [pagination](#), [intuitive rows selection](#), [column sorting](#), [custom cell data rendering](#), [context menus](#), [row expansion](#), [nesting](#) and [more](#).

TypeScript based

The entire codebase is [written in TypeScript](#), options are [well typed](#) and documented with JSDoc, so you can build type safe applications with confidence.

Free and open-source

This package is released under the [MIT license](#), same as [Mantine](#), so you can freely build fantastic data-rich applications with it.

Use anywhere

Mantine DataTable can be used in any modern React framework supported by [Mantine](#), such as [Next.js](#), [Vite](#), [Create React App](#), [Remix](#) or [Gatsby](#).

Trusted by awesome companies and developers

Mantine DataTable is used and trusted by many developers across the world working in successful startups and projects, and reached nearly 240k monthly NPM downloads in January 2026.

