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Cloud & DevOps Engineer, Full Stack Engineer, AI & Automation Engineer



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About Me

Sr. Cloud Engineer with 10+ years of experience in AWS architecture, serverless solutions, database management, and infrastructure automation. Proven expertise in full-stack application development, building and deploying scalable Al-driven solutions, and leveraging automation to enhance cloud efficiency. Skilled in Infrastructure as Code, CI/CD pipeline implementation, and optimizing cloud infrastructure for performance, security, and cost efficiency. Passionate about using Al and automation to streamline workflows, improve decision-making, and create intelligent applications.

Skills

Cloud: AWS, GCP, Firebase, Heroku

OS: Red Hat Linux, Ubuntu, Debian, OSX, Windows Server, Tomcat

IaC: Terraform, CDK, Cloudformation, Ansible

DB: Postgres, MySQL, SQL Server, Oracle, DynamoDB, Redis, PGVector, Pinecone

Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, Bash/Shell, SQL, PowerShell

Frameworks: NextJS, ReactJS, Deno, NodeJS, ExpressJS, SpringBoot

Version Control: GitHub, CodeCommit, BitBucket, GitLab

Containerization: AWS (ECR, ECS, Fargate), K8, Docker

Monitoring: AWS (CloudWatch, CloudTrail), Sentry, Splunk, Grafana, Statsig

Networking: AWS (VPC, Route53, NAT Gateway, VPC Peering), Transit Gateway, Endpoint Service

Education

Master of Engineering: Computer Science 2013 - 2015
 Virginia Tech
 Bachelor of Science: Information Systems 2009 - 2013
 Radford University

Security Clearance

Secret (Inactive)
Public Trust (Active)

Experience

Technical Founder RILLY (Self Employed)

2024 - Present

- Built and launched a community-driven social app for sharing dating experiences.
- Full-Stack Development: Developed the iOS app in Swift; built backend with Node.js, **Express**, and Prisma on **PostgreSQL**; managed AWS infrastructure (**RDS**, SQS, SNS, **Route53**, CloudFront, **ElastiCache**).
- Deployment: Led App Store submission, compliance, business registration, and trademarking.
- Business Operations: Drive product strategy, hiring, and team growth.
- Marketing: Led branding and user acquisition, with plans to scale outreach.

Co-Founder & CTO

2023 - Present

Mostrom, LLC

- Lead full-stack development, designing and building scalable web and mobile applications.
- Architect and manage cloud infrastructure to ensure reliability, security, and performance.
- Oversee end-to-end product development, from ideation to deployment.
- Set engineering best practices and guide a team in delivering highquality, maintainable code.
- Optimize system performance, scalability, and security across all products.
- Collaborate with cross-functional teams to align technology with business strategy.
- Frontend: NextJS, React, Svelte, Swift (iOS), Kotlin (Android)
- Backend: Deno, Node.js, Express, PostgreSQL, Redis, Prisma, Cloud & DevOps: AWS, Docker, Kubernetes, Terraform

Lead Cloud Engineer / Manager

2022 - Present

United Medical Center

- Contracted through Publicis Sapient
- Managed AWS multi-account, multi-region architecture (AWS Organizations, VPC, Transit Gateway, CloudFormation).
- Developed financial dashboards using AWS Cost Explorer and QuickSight for cost optimization (Savings Plans, AutoScaling, Spot Instances).
- Converted CloudFormation IaC to CDK in TypeScript.
- Implemented **Fargate** and **Kubernetes**, reducing server instances by 90% and cutting operational costs by 50%.
- Built CI/CD pipelines with GitHub, Jenkins, CodeBuild, CodePipeline, and CodeArtifact, integrating SonarQube for static code analysis.
- Migrated from Bitbucket, Bamboo, Nexus to AWS-native services (CodeCommit, CodeBuild, CodePipeline, CodeArtifact).
- Architected and deployed serverless applications with Node.js, Python, Lambda, API Gateway, EventBridge, DynamoDB.
- Implemented monitoring & logging using CloudWatch, Grafana, and ELK stack for distributed observability.
- Automated compliance and security policies (IAM, VPC, Patch Manager, Ansible) to maintain HIPAA and FedRAMP standards.

2019 - 2021 Sr. Cloud Engineer

Department of Education: Federal Student Aid

- Deployed Docker containers on ECS and Fargate, orchestrated with EKS.
- Built and deployed Node.js microservices with Lambda, API Gateway, integrating with SES, DynamoDB, and SQS.
- Designed scalable AWS infrastructure with **VPCs**, subnets, security groups, and **IAM** roles.
- Designed AWS infrastructure using Terraform, CloudFormation, and orchestrated containerized workloads with EKS, Fargate Docker.
- Optimized AWS resource utilization for significant cost savings.
- Migrated legacy applications to AWS, improving performance, scalability, and cost efficiency.
- Built serverless applications with Lambda and API Gateway, reducing operational overhead.

Sr. SQL Developer 2018 - 2019

United Medical Center

- Acted as SME for database architecture, design, and configuration.
- · Managed PostgreSQL, SQL Server, optimizing query execution, partitioning, and indexing for high-volume healthcare
- Automated company-wide data analytics reporting platform.
- Monitored ETL processes using SFTP, SQL Scripts, PowerShell, and SSIS.
- Managed QA, Staging, and Production environments.
- Optimized EMR data warehouse with table partitioning, indexing, and query tuning.
- · Migrated on-premises databases to AWS RDS, improving performance and reliability.
- \bullet Conducted security assessments for HIPAA and PCI-DSS compliance.
- Developed and tested DR and BCP strategies.
- · Led DBA team, driving performance and scalability improvements.

Database Analyst 2017 - 2018

Winrock International

- Integrated reporting services into Winrock's proprietary platform.
- · Audited Microsoft licensing in Azure AD and O365 using PowerShell and SQL, improving license tracking and cost savings.
- Migrated Crystal Reports to SSRS, enhancing reporting efficiency.
- Automated processes with complex scripts, stored procedures, and triggers.

Database Analyst

2017 - 2018

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

- Optimized Relativity database performance (SQL Server, T-SQL, indexing, performance tuning).
- Developed custom workflows for data processing (Relativity, SQL Server, SSIS, Python, PowerShell).
- Ensured data compliance with legal regulations (GDPR, LegalHold).
- Analyzed data to support case strategy (Power BI, Excel, T-SQL).

Database Administrator 2016 - 2017

Clutch Group

- · Designed and maintained optimized databases for high performance and scalability.
- Provided technical support for database access, querying, and updates.
- Resolved database issues to minimize operational disruptions.
- Assisted with backup and recovery procedures.
- Automated data analytics reporting platform.
- Monitored ETL jobs using SFTP, SQL Scripts, PowerShell, and SSIS.
- Managed QA, Staging, and Production environments.
- · Optimized EMR data warehouse with table partitioning, indexing, and query tuning.

Database Analyst 2013 - 2016

Driven, Inc

- Provided end-user support for database systems.
- Monitored and optimized database performance.
- Designed databases, developed data models, and configured systems.
- · Processed and cleansed data using SQL, MS Access, and Excel.
- · Loaded, extracted, and validated data for platforms like Relativity and ONE.
- Developed scripts for data manipulation and extraction.
- Administered proprietary tools (Citrix, Relativity, Driven ONE).
- Managed escalations and issue resolutions.
- Monitored application functionality and performance.

Projects

Technical Founder | Rilly

https://www.rilly.dating

Founded a social platform connecting users through shared dating experiences. Developed the iOS app in Swift with backend microservices in **Node.js**, **Express.js**, and **PostgreSQL**. Designed and managed AWS cloud infrastructure (**RDS**, **SQS**, **SNS**, **Route53**, **CloudFront**, **ElastiCache**). Launched independently on the iOS App Store and led product strategy, compliance, hiring, and marketing.

Intelligent Documentation Crawler & RAG Agent

Github

Built an Al-powered crawler and **RAG** agent using **LangChain**, **Postgres**, and **OpenAl**. Crawls legal websites, stores content in a vector database, and retrieves relevant sections to help users understand state-specific laws.

Al Chatbot Project

<u>Github</u>

Developed an open-source chatbot SDK using **Next.js**, **AI** SDK, and **Tailwind** CSS. Integrated multiple LLM providers (**xAI**, **OpenAI**, **Fireworks**) via a unified API. Used **Postgres** for chat storage, Vercel Blob for file storage, and **Auth.js** for secure authentication.

RSI-Based Trading Bot

Github

Developed an automated trading bot using **Python** that integrates RSI technical analysis with **OpenAl's** GPT for real-time trading decisions. Implemented automated order execution via Alpaca API with risk management features including position sizing and automated exits. Key Technologies: Python, OpenAl API, **Alpaca API**, RSI Analysis