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2019-07 ~ Contractor Software Engineer
HSBC, London, United Kingdom
Industry: Investment banking
Position type: contract

Migrated Equities Prime Portal from Flash-based platform to HTML5/JavaScript platform.

Technologies: Java, Kotlin, TypeScript, Git, Microservices, JIRA, IntelliJ IDEA, Maven, Clojure, JavaScript, Bash, JSON, REST, SQL, Linux, DevOps, Ansible, Agile,

2019-02 ~2019-07 Contractor Software Engineer
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Building a service producing insights for sales people using Machine Learning.

Achievements:

Redesigned service based on an integration database into set of microservices.

Automated release process which reduced manual steps to minimum.

Started a Rust User Group within HSBC. Brought Rust and Cargo into HSBC. Created crates.io mirror.

Technologies: Java, Kotlin, Rust, Git, Microservices, JIRA, IntelliJ IDEA, Maven, Gradle, Clojure, JavaScript, Bash, JSON, REST, PostgreSQL, SQL, IntelliJ IDEA, DevOps, Agile,

2017-09 ~2019-02 Contractor Software Engineer
HSBC, London, United Kingdom
Industry: Investment banking
Position type: contract

Worked on a project introducing a new revenue attribution model for sales people.

Achievements:

Completed full process of requesting, configuring and going through sign-off process of new production servers tailored for DevOps use.

Automated release process which increased delivery frequency from fortnightly to several per day.

profile

Contractor Software Engineer with 9 years commercial experience (12 years including part-time jobs) and expertise in building microservices-based backend applications on JVM platform (Java - 7.5 years, Scala - 1.5 year, Kotlin, Clojure) on Linux. Advocates for being Agile, not doing Agile; and DevOps. Recently started to learn Rust.

availability

December 2019

skills

Database

- PostgreSQL
- InfluxDB
- Elasticsearch
- DynamoDB
- Oracle
- MySQL

Language

- Java
- Clojure
- Kotlin
- SQL
- Bash
- JavaScript
- TypeScript
- Rust
- Scala
- Python

Library

- Ratpack
- Akka
- Guice
- Spray
- Cucumber
- CameronFIX
- QuickFIX/J

Os

- Linux

Built a set of microservices to replace team management system (including design, REST request/response and streaming APIs, eventing-based replication, PostgreSQL database, automatic schema migration with Flyway, UI with plain modern JavaScript)

Technologies: Java, Ratpack, Git, Microservices, Splunk, Grafana, InfluxDB, Telegraf, Elasticsearch, JIRA, TeamCity, IntelliJ IDEA, Puppet, Ansible, Docker, Maven, Gradle, Clojure, JavaScript, Bash, JSON, REST, PostgreSQL, SQL, Linux, DevOps, Agile,

2016-06
~2017-09

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I worked at the FX eDistribution project on a backend service supporting an UI component responsible for controlling lifecycle of algorithmic FX orders (TWAP, Implementation Shortfall, Liquidity Seeking) and market FX orders (Stop Loss, Take Profit and Benchmark).

Technologies: Java, Git, Microservices, Splunk, Grafana, JIRA, TeamCity, IntelliJ IDEA, Maven, Akka, Scala, Clojure, Mockito, AssertJ, JUnit, Linux, DevOps, Agile,

2015-07
~2016-06

Senior Software Engineer (Scala)
Ocado Technology, Hatfield, United Kingdom

Industry: Online grocery retail
Position type: permanent

I worked on low latency services (<10ms) that calculated availability of products in real time.
Services were designed to be highly available and scalable (akka cluster, AWS, blue-green deployment), highly responsive (actor model) and low latency (in-memory cache with akka sharding).
Services were based on CQRS and event sourcing.

Achievements:

Introduced idea of team goal which helped us prioritize tasks and have common vision of our services.

Proposed adjustments to our sprint (pair programming, one story at a time) that improved collaboration and helped building trust.

Created two OAuth2 libraries (non-blocking client with caching capabilities and testing library) that are widely used across teams at Ocado Technology.

Configured Continuous Delivery pipelines. Did a research on implementation of BlueGreen Deployment and found major flaws in the early stage what allowed us to prepare architecture of our applications before it's released to production.

Migrated production and integration tests environments to new AWS account before given deadline.

Other

- Microservices
- DevOps
- Agile
- REST
- JSON
- Distributed systems
- OAuth2
- Event Sourcing
- XML

Tool

- Git
- JIRA
- Maven
- Ansible
- Gradle
- TeamCity
- Splunk
- Grafana
- Telegraf
- Puppet
- Docker
- GO
- AWS
- Jenkins

education

2004 - 2009
Computer Science (not completed)
AGH University of Science and Technology in Cracow

trainings / conferences

- QCon London (2016)
- Uncle Bob's Advanced TDD (2015)
- GeeCon (2014)
- JDD (2013)
- Java Developers' Day (2008)
- Java Developers' Day (2006)

recommendations

"I have had the pleasure of working with Łukasz in the same team at Ocado Technology. He very quickly picked up the new technology stack of our team (Scala and Akka) and he became a master of them. He is a highly creative and innovative individual, who has contributed many great architectural designs to our projects. Łukasz is extremely hard working who consistently delivers high quality work products, keen to produce clean code and meanwhile meets or exceeds deadlines. I would recommend him to anybody."

Csaba Kerti, June 23, 2016

Technologies: Scala, Akka, Spray, AWS, Git, Event Sourcing, Microservices, Distributed systems, JSON, REST, Swagger, ScalaTest, JIRA, Guice, DynamoDB, OAuth2, Crucible, Kibana, Logstash, GO, IntelliJ IDEA, Maven, Linux,

2015-02
~2015-07

Senior Software Engineer (Java)

Ocado Technology, Hatfield, United Kingdom

Industry: Online grocery retail

Position type: permanent

I worked on the order management service. Service was part of distributed platform based on cloud computing environment.

Achievements:

Introduced testing standards in the team.

Lead tests quality sessions.

Technologies: Java, AWS, Git, Microservices, Distributed systems, JSON, REST, Swagger, Hystrix, PostgreSQL, Python, OAuth2, Cucumber, Mockito, AssertJ, JUnit, Jenkins, Guice, DynamoDB, Crucible, Kibana, Logstash, GO, IntelliJ IDEA, Maven, Linux,

2014-03
~2015-01

Senior Software Developer (Java) - contractor

Luxoft, Krakow, Poland

Industry: Investment banking

Position type: contract via vendor

Contractor at UBS Investment Bank. I worked on front office applications (capital commitment, automatic indication of interest generation and trade advertising) supporting sales traders and market makers at Cash Equities project. Applications were event driven, based on FIX protocol and low latency (<5ms).

Achievements:

Reverse engineered trade advertising and automatic indication of interest generation and made a presentation for business users.

Implemented a proper handling of introduced algos within Sales Facilitation applications.

Introduced automatic system tests increasing quality of produced software.

Enhanced logging by adding single request tracking which significantly decreased the investigation time in case of an issue.

Set up automatic build system which improved speed and reliability of the release process.

Technologies: Java, QuickFIX/J, CameronFIX, Spock, Groovy, Git, Gradle, Jenkins, Oracle, JIRA, SVN, IntelliJ IDEA, SQL, JUnit, AssertJ, Guava, Mockito, Linux,

"Working with Łukasz has been a great experience. Since the first day I had a high feeling of collaboration: I always remember the series of discussions we had about various aspects of the software. His impact on the team was very important, not only for the technical point of view, but also he managed to influence the way we were working. As result, in few weeks we reached and higher quality bar and we produced great software. I recommend Łukasz as colleague for his vast technical skills but also because he is a great person to work with."

Alessandro Simi, June 22, 2016

"I have had the great fortune to work alongside Łukasz over the past year. He is a dedicated, cool-headed developer and a strong supportive leader of those around him. He has excelled in building and maintaining a strong, resilient and reliable series of applications operating together in near real-time. It is a huge loss for our organisation to see Łukasz leave - but know that he has left a lasting legacy in not just the software he has developed but in those whom he has supported in building their own experience."

Daniel Stoner, June 22, 2016

"Working with Łukasz is a real pleasure. Extreme attention to details, always willing to help others, very fast at providing reliable development results. His technical knowledge is very good, allowing to propose the best solutions for solving problems. He's one of the best developers I've met."

Szymon Paluchowski, April 7, 2013

"Łukasz has proven to be one of the most valuable team members, with his wide technical knowledge, willingness to learn and - especially - unbelievable attention to details. Łukasz always aimed for the complete, perfect solution to a problem - half-measures never satisfied him. I would gladly work with him again."

Maciej Hamiga, January 6, 2013

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2011-07

~2014-02

Senior Java Developer *Senior Java Developer - contractor* *Java Developer - contractor*

Sabre, Krakow, Poland

Industry: Airlines and airports

Position type: contract / permanent

I worked on a cost saving migration project which involved over 30 major airlines.

The project was very challenging due to multiple dependencies (Sabre's internal systems, customer's systems), no downtime requirement, big amount of user data (data of 30M+ passengers of airlines), pressure of time, little documentation of the legacy system and all of it's features.

Service was part of distributed platform built using SOA and SOAP web services.

Achievements:

Finished the project 3 months before required deadline (license renewal of a proprietary mainframe).

Developed a XML comparison library using bipartite graph algorithm that significantly decreased number of discrepancies during the migration.

Created automated configuration diff tool reducing release time and increasing quality.

Lead best practices developers meetings which helped keeping common understanding of the system in a big team (30 developers).

Created a configuration API as an abstraction over a configuration source (file, DB, JMX) that allowed operations team to have flexible configuration.

Created searchable log application for QAs which allowed testing untestable before aspects.

Technologies: Java, Java, Spring, Hibernate, XSLT, Guava, Maven, Apache Wicket, AspectJ, JUnit, Mockito, Fest, MySQL, MyBatis, Apache Camel, XPath, XML, XML Schema, Oracle, Clojure, Distributed systems, Linux,

2010-06

~2011-06

Java Developer **Sylogic, Warszawa, Poland**

Industry: Websites

Position type: permanent

I've been developing web applications for customers. I took part of whole process of creating application (gathering requirements, analysis, designing, developing and deployment)

Technologies: Java, Spring, Hibernate, JSF, Maven, Apache Wicket, Tiles, IntelliJ IDEA,

2006-01

~2009-07

Linux administrator **ConSol* Consulting & Solutions Software** **Poland, Krakow, Poland**

Industry: CRM

Position type: part-time

I've built and been maintaining infrastructure for a technology company which employed 30 developers.

Achievements:

Developed income optimizer for hospitals. Successfully deployed at the hospital in Sucha Beskidzka.

Researched and developed a 'proof of concept' application WebCTI - Asterisk / ConSol* CM in a single person R&D project.

Technologies: Linux, Bash, awk, Java, Apache Wicket, Spring, Hibernate, Maven, IntelliJ IDEA,