# RAMKUMAR RAGHAVAN

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## ~ IT OPERATIONS ~ IT PROJECTS ~ IT INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT ~

**BE (EEE), PGPM, CCNA, RHCE, ITILv3, CSM, VMWare VCP, AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate** offering 20+ years of qualitative experience in IT Infrastructure Management, SAAS, Project Management, Team Management, SLA Management, Vendor Management. Technocrat with specialization in end-to-end IT Infrastructure which includes Servers, Storage, Migration, AWS Cloud, Security, Application Management, and solution design.

Credited for managing Projects and Proof-Of-Concepts (POC) in Storage/Backup/Encryption/Data Migrations, AWS, Security, Virtualization/Cloud, Server, Data Center and Cloud domains. Lead projects and initiatives comprising infrastructure projects, operations, and enterprise applications; evolved delivery process & influenced operational issues across the team. Rendered leadership in selection of technology/products, negotiating with vendors, high-quality customer experience, establishing cordial relationships with stakeholders, technical teams & vendors for projects

Credited for providing troubleshooting support, resolution of operational/ technical issues within TAT, formulating strategic solutions for delivery, high-quality customer experience & delivery excellence. Have Regular interaction with the Engineering team to provide inputs related to new product features required and for any bugs encountered during Teamforge release qualification.

Excellent experience in Transitioning Infrastructure and Application management to the Indian team.

**Result- Driven / Change & Turnaround Agent**, recognized for building High-Performance Teams, working with stakeholders, technical teams & vendors and making the organization future-ready in rapid-change environments, while working in SAAS Hosting, Semiconductor, Services and Agile Software Development Industry Verticals.

#### **CAREER AT A GLANCE** Since Jun'o8: Digital.Al, Apr'01 - Jul'03: Twenty-Jun'04 - Aug'05: Tata Chennai, presentely as Twenty Webtech Pvt. Ltd., Consultancy Services, Architect & Team Lead -Chennai as System Delhi as Assistant Infra, Production Administrator **System Engineer Operations Team** Jul'03 - Jun'04: Vinciti Aug'05 - Jun'08: KLA-Tencor Software India, Networks, Noida as **Network Engineer** Chennai as Information System Analyst

# **EXECUTIVE COMPETENCY & TECHNICAL ACUMEN**

Strategic

Managerial

- IT Project Management
- Application Management
- Vendor / Stakeholder Engagements
- System/ Server Administration
- Performance Management & Training
- Client Relationship Management
- IT Infrastructure Management
- Proof-Of-Concepts (POCs)
- Team Building & Leadership
- Business Continuity Planning
- SAAS Hosting
- Risk & Compliance Management
- IT Operations Management
- Server/Storage/Cloud Migrations
- Training and Documentation
- Contracts Negotiations / SLAs
- IT Policies & SOPs/ Best Practices
- Shift/On-call Management

# **ACADEMICS & CREDENTIALS**

2020 - 2021: Post Graduate Program in Management from UPGRAD/IMT Ghaziabad 1996 - 2000: B.E. (EEE) from Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore with 77.7%

# **Certifications/Trainings:**

- > AWS Certified Solution Architect Associate
- VMware vSphere 6.7 Foundations Certification
- > VMware Certified Professional 7 Data Center Virtualization
- Certified Scrum Master (CSM)
- > ITIL (2011) Foundation Certification
- > RedHat Linux Certified Engineer (RHCE)

- Architecting on AWS 3 Days vILT 2020 Training
- Accelerated NCDA Boot Camp Data ONTAP 7-Mode in 2013
- Project Management Professional (PMP)® Training in Sep'18
- TOGAF 9.1 Workshop by iCMG Year 2015

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Digital.AI, Chennai Since Jun'08

## **GROWTH PATH**

Senior Engineer - Production Operations Team

Architect – Infrastructure, Production Operations Team

Architect & Team Lead – Infrastructure, Production Operations Team

Nov'16 – Till Date

#### **KEY RESULT AREAS:**

- Spearheading Application Hosting through managing all the Digital.ai Hosted SAAS applications
- Planning, upgrading, strategizing the Production/Stage Application Upgrades and Resource Allocation
- Leading operations team for SAAS hosting of the Digital.ai's Teamforge/Agility products and its Infrastructure of Servers, Virtualized Hosts, Storage, Encryption, AWS Cloud for managing mission critical applications
- Validating technical design documentation & implementation strategies for towards addressing single points of failure in IT services used in delivery of core business applications

- Planning Quarterly Maintenance (QMO) Tasks. Scheduling the Shift Roster for the Team Members
- Installing, upgrading & improving the uptime (99.9%) along with troubleshooting of Digital.ai SAAS products including the Digital.ai's Teamforge and Agility
- Creating Operational Process Documentation and ensuring the process are adhered to. Managing requirements for IT Infrastructure HW/Application, DC, DR Operations and recommending solution as per needs
- Establishing standards for various operational areas, implementing quality systems & procedures to facilitate a high-quality Operational excellence, while adhering to SLAs

## SIGNIFICANT HIGHIGHTS ACROSS THE TENURE

- Pivotal in managing entire SAAS hosting of Digital.AI (formerly CollabNet's) Product and Infrastructure Environment of 100+ Servers with 300+ Virtualized Hosts, Storage, Encryption, Public/Private Cloud for mission critical ALM/Agility Applications
- Promoted to sr. positions for excellent performance and recognized with awards & appreciations as:
  - E-Staff Award in Q1 2014 and Engineer of the Year in 2008 Third Place, & Multiple Spot-Star Awards in Digital.ai
  - Best Performance Team Award for Server Infrastructure movement at KLA-Tencor Software
- > Successfully ran method-oriented Infrastructure Management & attained business excellence through process improvement.

  Monitored existing infrastructure, led preventative maintenance, backup, regular support activities to ensure effectiveness
- Apart from managing the Operations team, set-up & led the L1 Storage Team at Chennai. Imparted trainings & managed 3 Members Team in Storage (Netapp/Tegile and SafeNet Encryption).
- > Created a highly-effective Training & Growth Plan for the Team Members and created Technological Verticals within the team
- Worked with major Vendors like HP, Tegile, Super Micro, Netapp and Tegile as Architect Infrastructure, Production Operations

# KLA-Tencor Software India Pvt. Ltd., Chennai Information System Analyst

Aug'05 - Jun'08

## **KEY RESULT AREAS:**

- Followed Change Request Procedures and SOX procedures, Managed Projects on Server and Storage Migration
- Performed scripting to automate UNIX environment, monitored UNIX environment through standard scripts
- > Planned the movement of the Server Infrastructure and Filers from one location to another
- Worked as a Senior UNIX Administrator in the Enterprise Offshore Support Team to support the Corporate Infrastructure which includes 200+ Enterprise UNIX Servers, Domains, NAS, SAN, Backups, etc.

## SIGNIFICANT HIGHIGHTS ACROSS THE TENURE

- Pivotal in monitoring and maintenance of Infrastructure and took corrective actions and identified permanent solution for any issues
- > Drove Automation of monitoring activities using Shell Scripts, single-handedly led maintenance all the Servers during the US nighttime
- > Installed (jumpstart/cdrom), configured and administered Solaris 8, 9 and 10 on eEnterprise class SPARC Servers
- Worked with D2D backups using Datadomain boxes, troubleshooting of Veritas NetBackup. Successfully:
  - Configured and managed Netapp NAS Filers, ONTAP OS of Netapp filers
  - Configured NFS and CIFS access to the filers, NDMP backups for the filers to store terabytes of data
  - Configured Sun Volume Manager, Solaris Disksuite and Veritas Volume Manager to build RAID configuration in Solaris
  - Configured and administered Veritas NetBackup Software, managed tape libraries, master, and media servers
- Worked in Storage Environment (IBM Shark & EMC Clarion). Built Sun Servers, configured them to connect to storage using LPFC software

## **PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE**

Jun'04 – Aug'05: Tata Consultancy Services, New Delhi as Assistant System Engineer

Jul'03 – Jun'04: Vinciti Networks, Noida as Network Engineer

Apr'01 – Jul'03: Twenty-Twenty Webtech Private Limited, Chennai as System Administrator

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Operating Systems: RHEL, CentOS, Solaris, Windows 2017/2019 Data Center Server
- ▶ Blade Chassis: HP C7000 with Flex-10
- Servers: HP/SuperMicro/Dell Rack Servers, HP Blade Servers, HP Rack Servers, Super Micro, SUN Microsystems, SPARC Hardware, Sun Domains, HP Itanium Integrity Servers rx4640, Dell Power Edge Servers, Sun StorEdge 3500
- Virtualization: VMWare ESXi, Xenserver | Container: Docker
- Private Cloud: OpenStack, Dell Virtustream, Rackspace VMWare RPC | Public Cloud: AWS
- AWS Services: EC2, EBS, FSX, ALB, S3, Route53, CloudFormation, CloudEndure, VPC, Transit Gateways, Cloudwatch, CloudTrail, Cost Explorer, RDS, AWS Backup, SNS, IAM, Systems Manager
- Storage: Netapp FAS Arrays, Tegile Arrays, AWS Zadara Storage, Netapp ONTAP Cloud Storage & EMC Unity
- > Hyper-converged Infrastructure: Datrium DVX
- **Backup/DR:** CloudEndure, vSphere SRM, Netapp SnapMirror & Snapvault, Unity/Tegile Replication, Zerto Backup, Veritas NetBackup, Data Domain (D2D Boxes), NDMP Backups & Tape Library
- Encryption: SafeNet Storage Encryption Appliance, Vormetric DSM File Encryption, License Key Manager Appliance, Disk Encryption | LDAP: sssd, OpenLDAP, Active Directory
- Monitoring/Alerting: Icinga, SNMP, Nagios, Zenoss, PagerDuty, NewRelic
- LVM/Cluster: Linux LVM, Veritas Volume Manager, Sun Volume Manager, Sun Cluster 3.1, MS SQL Cluster, MS SQL AG
- > Database: PostgreSQL, Microsoft SQL Server 2019
- > Critical Technical Skills: Architecting Skills, Hardware/Storage sizing, Multiple Data Centre/Office Moves, Server/VM/Storage/Data Migrations, Application installs/upgrades

# **PERSONAL DETAILS**

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Projects/Portfolio: Project Details as Annexure: https://ramkumarraghavanportfolio.godaddysites.com/