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## Quick Summary

* 20+ years in software engineering, specializing in **Cloud Computing**, **Serverless solutions** and Big Data.
* Reputed as a **Problem Solver**, bringing out-of-box approaches to system design
* Focused on **optimizing performance** and designing **cost-effective** architectures.
* Advocate for validating ideas via **proof-of-concepts** (POCs).
* Firm believer that knowledge shared is knowledge squared.

## Technologies

* **AWS Expertise:** IAM, EC2, S3, Lambda, Step Functions, Batch, API Gateway, AppSync, DynamoDB, IoT, EventBridge, CloudWatch, RDS, Aurora, Redshift, Glue, Athena, ECS, Elastic Beanstalk, CloudFront, Route 53, ECR, EMR, Kinesis, Greengrass and more.
* **Infrastructure-as-Code** : Docker, CDK, Terraform, CloudFormation
* **Big Data:** Hadoop Ecosystem, HBase, Kafka, Spark, Cassandra, Redis
* **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, TypeScript, Go, Node.js

## Certifications

* AWS Certified Security Specialty (SCS-C01) - Mar 2023
* **AWS Certified Solutions Architect Professional (SAP-C01)** - Oct 2020
* AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate (SAP-C02) – Oct 2020
* Databricks Certified Developer: Apache Spark 2.X – Jul 2019
* Confluent Certified Developer for Apache Kafka – Jul 2019

## Education

**Bachelors of Engineering (Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, Delhi) 1999-2003**

## Awards

Received Top-Performer Awards multiple times throughout my career

## Career Highlights

## **- Replaced Legacy Product with National-Scale Big Data Platform**

* Took ownership of a failing SQL Server-based location tracking system.
* Built a custom big data platform from scratch using Hadoop, HBase, Kafka, and Spark
* Delivered real-time subscriber profiling for national security use. Scaled ingestion and analytics across billions of location records.

**- Slashed Cloud Compute Costs by 90%**

* Inherited an inefficient batch-processing workflow bleeding money.
* Re-architected it using Step Functions, Batch, Spot Instances, and S3 runtime mounts.
* Cut compute costs by 90%, while improving reliability and scalability.

## **- Automated AMI Generation: 1 Day to 5 Minutes**

* Manual AMI builds for a proprietary Windows workload were blocking delivery.
* Designed a fully automated AMI pipeline using Step Functions and SSM.
* Reduced provisioning time from a full day to 15 minutes, freeing up engineers for actual development.

## - **Built Real-Time ML Pipeline for Automotive Fault Detection**

* Migrated legacy ML pipeline from GCP to AWS.
* Designed a distributed pipeline using IoT Core, ECS, and Greengrass to process edge telemetry from vehicles.
* Enabled real-time fault classification and alerting at fleet scale.

## - **Created Custom Developer Tooling When Nothing Off-the-Shelf Worked**

* Wrote a Grafana plugin in Go + Angular to integrate with MapR clusters.
* Built a custom Zeppelin interpreter to bridge Git workflows.
* Eliminated bottlenecks, made big data workflows dev-friendly, and shipped what vendors couldn’t

## **- Built Serverless In-Vehicle Support Platform**

* Designed a secure, real-time support system using AppSync, Chime, and Cognito for OEM vehicle systems.
* Enabled live diagnostic support directly from vehicle dashboards with no server maintenance overhead.

**- Steered Architecture for High-Stakes Clients: BMW, VW, Amazon, Continental**

* Reviewed architectures, built POCs, and led technical direction across multiple clients.
* Replaced brittle systems with scalable, observable, secure solutions.

## **- Took Over Projects Others Dropped — and Delivered**

* Whether it was rewriting pipelines, designing RBAC from Cognito internals, or refactoring critical services, delivered results where others got stuck.
* Reputed for "gets-it-done” in every client engagement.

## **- Took a 6-Month Sabbatical to Pursue Indie Game Development**

* Took time off in 2024 to explore solo game development using the Godot engine.
* Designed and built multiple game prototypes, tackled real-time performance bottlenecks, and sharpened cross-disciplinary skills.
* Though not commercially successful, the experience deepened my systems thinking and performance-tuning mindset.

## Work Experience

**Senior Solutions Architect at Luxoft GmbH, Munich, Jan 2021 – July 2024**

Consulted with clients including Amazon, BMW, Volkswagen, and Continental. Led cloud migrations, cost optimizations, and PoC architecture efforts. Mentored engineers and led internal training on CDK, Terraform, and serverless.

**Solutions Architect — Polaris Wireless, Bangalore (Feb 2014 – Aug 2020)**

Architected a scalable location analytics platform for national security use. Led big data transformation from SQL Server to Hadoop, HBase, Spark. Delivered patent-pending profiling system.

**Software Engineer & Entrepreneur — Various / KNOCKS Solutions (2003 – 2014)**

Worked across mobile (iOS/Android), .NET WinForms, and C# development.

Founded KNOCKS Solutions (2006–2009) and built a commercial UI components suite with features like Outlook-style calendars, docking controls, and ribbon interfaces.