# **ALEX SMITH**

# Software Architect - Senior Java Backend Developer

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## **♣** EXPERIENCE

### FinTech Solutions Inc.

June 2018 – February 2021

Singapore

Lead Software Engineer — Trading Systems

### - High-Frequency Trading Platform:

- \* Designed low-latency order processing system using Java and Aerospike
- \* Implemented real-time risk management system
- \* Built monitoring solution using Prometheus and Grafana

#### - Market Data Processing:

- \* Architected distributed market data processing system
- \* Developed custom caching solution reducing latency by 40%
- \* Led team of 5 engineers implementing FIX protocol integration

### **Cloud Systems Ltd**

Software Engineer — Cloud Infrastructure

January 2016 – May 2018 London, UK

#### - Container Orchestration:

- \* Designed custom Kubernetes operators for automated service deployment
- \* Implemented service mesh solution using Istio
- \* Developed infrastructure-as-code using Terraform and Ansible

#### **EDUCATION**

# **Imperial College London**

2014 - 2015

MSc in Computing Science

London, UK

**University of Manchester** 

2011 – 2014

BSc in Computer Science

Manchester, UK

# **E**CERTIFICATIONS

## **AWS Solutions Architect Professional**

**December 2023** 

Amazon Web Services [Verify: XXX-XXX-XXX]

Online

**Certified Kubernetes Administrator** 

March 2022

Cloud Native Computing Foundation

Online

# TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

**Systems Architecture**: Microservices, Event-Driven Architecture, Distributed Systems **Development Practices**: Extreme Programming, Behavior-Driven Development, DevSecOps

Performance Engineering: Profiling, Optimization, Low-latency Systems

Team Leadership: Technical Mentoring, Architecture Governance, Agile Methodologies

# </> TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Java (10y), Kotlin (3y), Go (2y), Python (4y)
Frameworks: Spring Boot, Micronaut, Vert.x, gRPC
Data: Kafka, Aerospike, Cassandra, PostgreSQL, Redis
Cloud & Infrastructure: AWS, Kubernetes, Terraform, Istio
Observability: Prometheus, Grafana, Jaeger, ELK Stack