

Software Engineer and Architect

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OBJECTIVES

Strategic and results-driven Solution Architect with 10+ years of experience designing and delivering scalable, secure, and high-availability systems across cloud and on-prem environments. Proven expertise in cloud architecture (AWS/GCP), microservices, and API-driven platforms with a strong background in Go, PHP, Node.js, and Python. Adept at modernizing legacy systems, defining reference architectures, and leading cross-functional engineering teams to implement innovative solutions that accelerate business outcomes.

SKILLS

- **Architecture & Cloud**: Microservices Event-Driven Systems REST Domain-Driven Design CI/CD Containers (Docker, Podman) AWS GCP Back-end Architecture
- Leadership & Delivery: Technical Vision & Roadmaps Mentorship Agile / Scrum Cross-Functional Collaboration Product Development Problem Solving Communication
- Languages & Frameworks: Go PHP (Laravel, Wordpress) Python Javascript (node.js, Vue.js, React) HTML CSS (SCSS)
- Databases & Tools: MySQL Mongodb Linux Git

WORK EXPERIENCE

• Senior Consultant / Oteemo

September 2024 - present

- Senior Engineer on the US Air Force Platform One Vulnerability Assessment Tracker, enhancing security posture and reducing critical vulnerabilities by 15% in a hardened Docker registry.
- Architected migration of monolithic infrastructure to microservices, improving scalability and maintainability.
- Mentored and led junior developers; conducted interviews and code reviews.
- Developed Al-driven container hardening integration for DefectDojo to automate vulnerability remediation.

go, microservices, node, MySql, React, Docker

• Principal Software Engineer / LenderHomePage

August 2024 - September 2024

- Developed and maintained critical backend services for mortgage lending platform, ensuring high availability and data integrity.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to integrate new features and optimize existing workflows.

Laravel, PHP, microservices, MySql

Principal Software Engineer/Back-end Architect / GRIN

August 2021 - May 2024

Principal Engineer and Architect at social media SaaS company

- Designed and led implementation of distributed microservices architecture in Go, enabling horizontal scalability and improved platform stability.
- Implemented unit testing framework and CI automation, reducing defect rates and deployment time by 30%.
- Recommended architectural strategies and supervised architectural changes using domain-driven design, leading

to a 20% improvement in system performance and scalability.

- Conducted architectural reviews, supervised refactoring of core services, and introduced event-driven integrations.
- Mentored engineering staff and led training on modern development methodologies.
- Interviewed prospective new hires
- Expanded platform with multiple Vue components

Laravel, PHP, go, microservices, PHPUnit, MySql, mongodb, Vue

• Senior Web Developer / BubbleUp

February 2020 - July 2021

Senior Developer for marketing firm with clients in multiple industries. Sites range from low traffic, to extremely high.

Yii, WordPress, PHP, MySQL, AWS, Drupal, custom sites

• Project Manager/Tech Lead / Raven

October 2017 - January 2020

Lead for API project. Developed Laravel-based API for document management service.

- Partner with CEO to develop technical vision
- Articulate vision to stakeholders
- Supervised team of five developers
- Mentored and encouraged junior developers
- Ran weekly Scrum meetings

Laravel/Lumen, PHP, PHPUnit, MySQL, Google Cloud Platform, Google App Engine, Google Cloud SQL, mongodb, redis, Google Datastore, Google Cloud Storage

• Senior Full-Stack Developer / Analyte Health

July 2016 - October 2017

Full-stack development for multiple websites in the health industry, including STDCheck, HealthLabs, UTI Treatment.

- Spearheaded significant code refactor, leading to a 30% reduction in technical debt and improved maintainability.
- Developed secure applications, compliant with HIPAA regulations
- Built frontend components in AngularJS and React

PHP, PHPUnit, MySQL, Laravel, Eloquent, Javascript, jQuery, AngularJS, React

• **Bootcamp Instructor** / Trilogy Education in association with the University of Texas

October 2016 - May 2017

Taught Full-stack coding bootcamp. Six month program to introduce students to basics of full-stack MERN development and computer science principles.

Eucation, HTML, CSS, Javascript, jQuery, APIs, AJAX, Node, Express, MySQL, sequelize, MongoDB, mongoose, PHP, Laravel, Python, React, React Native

Back-end web developer / Server Monkey

November 2015 - July 2016

Develop Magento-based eCommerce site

PHP, MySQL, Magento, XML, Javascript, jQuery

• Back-end web developer / Hubbard Radio

July 2010 - November 2015

Web developer (primarily focused on back-end) for two major news organizations: WTOP and Federal News Radio

- WTOP StormDesk Closings
 - Wordpress plugin to display school, business, and government closings during inclement weather. Includes login system for schools to close schools without newsroom involvement Permission system to
 give users specific rights to modify individual closings, all closings, or administer the system

 Designed MySQL database to store data about social ranking of stories on website. - Wrote application to fetch data from various social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, Digg, etc.) in order to rank stories according to popularity. - Created front-end resources to display data.

PHP, WordPress, HTML, CSS, Javascript, jQuery, MySQL, Memcache

• Programmer / University of Texas – Mechanical Engineering Department

May 2008 - May 2010

Maintained website, wrote news stories, and oversaw a number of projects to improve the website

- Senior Design Projects Database: Designed MySQL database to hold information about past Senior Design Projects.
 Built from scratch front-end to search database and display information.
- "Intranet" site: Built Wordpress site to host department updates, and information specifically for faculty and staff. Created custom Wordpress theme to match theme of the main site.
- *About Section*: Created entire section of website for recruiting purposes. Did extensive research.

PHP, XHTML, HTML Forms, Wordpress, CSS, Writing

EDUCATION

Bachelor of the Arts - Theater University of Texas at Austin August 2004 - May 2008

SELECTED OPEN SOURCE PROJECTS

- **ezcache** Dead simple in-memory caching library for Go, designed to improve application performance by reducing database load and API calls.
- **nomino** Go library for random filename generation, useful for creating unique identifiers and preventing naming conflicts.
- **gin error middleware** A middleware for Go Gin framework and wrapper functions to make handling errors easier and more idiomatic, improving API robustness.
- **Responsable Errors** A small Go library that provides errors that can be more useful in the context of a web app. The heart of gin error middleware, it enables structured and user-friendly error responses.
- **droplogger** Python logging application especially suited for life-logging with IFTTT and Dropbox, providing automated personal data collection.
- my-log A work-in-progress complete rewrite of droplogger in Go, aiming for improved performance and maintainability.
- **strip-beats** Go CLI app for transforming a folder of music videos and music files, with semi-automatic tagging and a user-friendly TUI, streamlining media organization. *This is a work in progress. Not yet fully functional.*
- **Object Spy** PHP debugging library that makes it easy to inspect private properties and methods without using reflection, simplifying complex debugging tasks.
- http go status Super simple web server that just returns the HTTP status you ask for, useful for testing and debugging HTTP client behavior.