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Profile

Innovative fullstack software developer and entrepreneur with 6+ years of experience building scalable web applications and cloud infrastructure solutions. Proven track record in leading technical teams, architecting enterprise-scale systems, and delivering GenAI-powered solutions that drive measurable business results. Currently balancing senior developer role at Neochic GmbH with running successful consulting business.

Core Competencies:
- Full-stack web development with modern frameworks
- Cloud architecture and DevOps implementation
- LLM integration and GenAI best practices
- Technical leadership and team mentoring
- Client relationship management and business development
- Agile project management and delivery

Professional Experience

Fullstack Developer   09/2024 – present
Neochic GmbH ⎘
*External fullstack developer at Handelsblatt Media Group building core website infrastructure - **concurrent with entrepreneurial activities***

- Developing Angular frontend components and Koa backend services for Germany's leading business publication
- Implementing cloud infrastructure using Docker, Azure, and Terraform for scalable deployment
- Building automated testing pipelines with Playwright and Jest for continuous integration
- Working with technical debt reduction and agile workflow optimization

Lead Developer   11/2024 – 02/2025
Self-Employed ⎘
Enterprise Business Management Platform
Full-stack booking and business management system for service-based businesses
- Built real-time data synchronization system for conflict-free multi-user collaboration
- Developed multi-tenant architecture with customized landing pages per organization
- Managed a team of 3 developers for a quick go-to market

Technologies: Convex, React, React Router 7, Stripe, TailwindCSS, ShadCN

Data Engineer & AI Specialist   08/2024 – 11/2024
Self-Employed
AI Business Intelligence Pipeline
Intelligent data processing system combining web scraping with LLM analysis
- Built automated system for data collection and analysis replacing manual research processes
- Designed efficient request handling to minimize API costs

Technologies: Python, Playwright, Google Maps API, LLMs

Founder & Technical Director   07/2024 – present
LNDR UG (haftungsbeschränkt) ⧉
- Built responsive web applications using React, Node.js, AWS and TypeScript
- Delivered 15+ custom projects to clients acquired through cold email outreach
- Implemented business automation tools to streamline client operations
- Managed full business operations: sales, marketing, development, and AI integration

Full-Stack Developer   03/2023 – 09/2023
BCS IT GmbH

Omnichannel E-commerce Platform
Integration platform connecting Amazon Selling Partner API with SaleVali
- Built platform functionality for multi-channel order management
- Created unified system for streamlined order processing across channels

Technologies: React.js, Redux, Loopback4

Co-Founder & Technical Lead   01/2023 – 10/2024
Ansatz UG (haftungsbeschränkt)
Technology consulting firm focused on development process optimization
- Led implementation of agile development methodologies for client teams
- Architected cloud infrastructure using AWS and Terraform for scalable applications
- Established CI/CD pipelines and automated testing processes for reliable deployments
- Managed cross-functional teams delivering technical projects for various clients

Junior Consultant   08/2022 – 10/2022
CAS AG

Healthcare Fraud Detection Platform
Cutting-edge fraud detection system for insurance company
- Frontend development for fraud detection platform facilitating communication between product management and development teams
- Developed solutions addressing complex regulatory compliance requirements

Technologies: Angular, SCSS, MySql

Junior IT Consultant   12/2021 – 12/2022
Enterprise-grade SAP Cloud-based compliance platform
Enterprise software development with focus on compliance and automation
- Developed critical compliance tools streamlining internal reporting processes for insurance sector
- Architected solutions addressing complex regulatory requirements using SAP BTP and Vue.js
- Implemented automated testing frameworks improving code quality and reducing deployment risks
- Collaborated with product management to translate business requirements into technical specifications
(Started in 08/2021 as a contractor and transitioned into full-time employment)

Freelance Web Developer   10/2018 – 01/2023
Self-Employed
Independent contractor delivering custom digital solutions across multiple industries
- Delivered custom web applications for various clients and industries
- Implemented AWS cloud architectures for cost-effective hosting solutions
- Designed and built scalable systems for growing businesses
- Specialized in e-commerce platforms, corporate websites, and business management tools

Technology and skills

Skill	Rating	Skill	Rating
TypeScript/JavaScript 6+ years, daily use across all projects	●●●●●	**React.js** 4+ years, primary framework	●●●●●
Next.js 3+ years, used in production applications	●●●●●	**Vue.js** 2+ years, enterprise projects at CAS AG	●●●●○
Angular 2 2+ years, current Handelsblatt project	●●●●○	**TailwindCSS** 3+ years, preferred styling solution	●●●●●
SCSS/CSS 6+ years, strong foundation in styling	●●●●●	**Testing Libraries/Playwright** E2E testing expertise in enterprise projects	●●●●○
Node.js 5+ years, primary backend technology	●●●●●	**Express/Koa** Multiple production applications	●●●●○
Python Data Analytics, AI pipelines and automation	●●●○○	**REST APIs** Extensive experience across all projects	●●●●●
GraphQL Several projects, solid understanding	●●●○○	**Websocket** Real-time applications experience	●●●○○
AWS 4+ years, cloud architecture	●●●●○	**Docker** Containerization across multiple projects	●●●●○
Terraform Infrastructure as Code, production use	●●●○○	**GitHub Actions** CI/CD pipeline setup and maintenance	●●●●○
Azure Enterprise project experience	●●●○○	**Google Cloud Platform** Several projects, OAuth, API integration	●●●○○
Kubernetes Basic orchestration knowledge	●●○○○	**PostgreSql** Primary database for most projects	●●●●○
Supabase Auth, realtime, vector storage	●●●●○	**MongoDB** 4+ years experience, NoSQL projects	●●●●○
Vector Databases AI applications, embeddings storage	●●●○○	**OpenAI/Claude/Gemini API** Current AI projects	●●●●●
LLM Integration Multiple AI-powered business solutions	●●●●○	**Prompt Engineering** Cost-efficient AI pipeline development	●●●●○
Vector Search RAG implementations	●●●○○	**Web Scraping (Playwright)** Business intelligence automation	●●●●○
SAP BTP/Hana Enterprise cloud development	●●●○○	**Stripe Integration** Payment processing across multiple projects	●●●○○
Shopify Shopify Plus, Theme + App, integrations	●●●●○	**Jira** Project management, setuo and issues	●●●●○

Business & Entrepreneurial Skills

Leadership & Management
- Technical team leadership and mentoring
- Cross-functional collaboration with product and business teams
- Agile project management and Scrum methodology
- Strategic planning and roadmap development

Business Development
- Client acquisition and relationship management
- Technical sales and solution architecture consulting
- Product strategy and market positioning
- Revenue growth and business scaling

Marketing & Communication
- Digital marketing strategy and implementation
- Email marketing automation and lead generation
- Technical content creation and documentation
- Brand development and online presence optimization

Education

Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf   10/2019 – 04/2021
- **Program:** Physics, Mathematics & Computer Science
- **Focus:** Coursework in foundational sciences and computer science principles
- **Status:** Coursework completed (no degree - transitioned to professional career)

Languages

German — Native/Bilingual   **English** — Fluent
Native Speaker   Professional Working Proficiency (C1)

Preferred Arrangements

- Full-time permanent positions with innovative technology companies
- High-impact freelance/consulting projects (3-12 month engagements)
- Part-time technical advisory roles
- Remote work with occasional on-site collaboration

Location Flexibility: Based in Düsseldorf, Germany with willingness to relocate for exceptional opportunities. Extensive experience with remote work and distributed teams.

Certificates

- SAP Certified Development Associate