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Foundations-First Full-Stack Engineer (Backend/Platform) | AI Engineering-Focused | Security-minded

Profile

Full-stack engineer with a backend/platform tilt, focused on reliable cloud systems and integration architecture across AWS, GCP, and Azure. AI engineering-focused in practice through agent/LLM workflow integration, with a foundations-first approach to correctness and maintainability.

Experience

Vanta - Full-Stack Software Engineer (Contractor via Howdy)

Jun 2023 - Present

Progression: IC2 (Jun 2023) -> IC3 (Jun 2024) -> IC4 (Oct 2025) | Teams: Integrations Platform -> Cloud Management -> GRC Platform (SLX)

- Co-led FedRAMP20x Moderate internal automation across a 15-engineer effort, moving from zero baseline to 79% automated compliance coverage in 2 months.
- Delivered 93 automated checks across 7+ integrations and coordinated stakeholders, onboarding, and reviews to hit deadline.
- Led a team of 4 engineers to implement CIS AWS Foundations benchmark automation by adding 8 cloud data types and upgrading 5 existing ones.
- Shipped 41 automated CIS AWS Foundations checks, enabling compliance automation for 100+ customers and unlocking a new Growth+ offering.
- Shipped 45+ customer-facing integrations and expanded platform capabilities, enabling adoption across 400+ customers and opening new onboarding/revenue paths.
- Implemented CIS GCP Foundations benchmark automation (10 new resource kinds, 7 upgraded, 72 automated checks), expanding regulated-cloud coverage and strengthening customer security posture.
- Delivered CIS Kubernetes benchmark automation across EKS/GKE/AKS with new collectors and 30+ automated compliance checks.

Freelance - Product Engineer (Frontend-heavy)

Nov 2019 - Jan 2023

- Shipped ~35 client projects (MVPs, dashboards/internal tools, and launch-ready marketing sites), typically delivering in 3-4 week cycles (longest engagement: 4 months).
- Owned UI/UX prototyping in Framer and translated designs into responsive React builds with reusable, maintainable components.
- Owned deployments end-to-end across Vercel/Netlify and AWS (EC2/ECS, S3/CloudFront, ALB, RDS).
- Delivered one Kubernetes deployment and handed off production-ready setups with post-launch support.
- Built ~8 DB-backed projects and lightweight CI/CD pipelines to automate releases.

Los Notarios - Assistant Director

Jan 2018 - Jan 2019

- Developed 100+ commercial pitches by researching client needs and translating them into clear concepts and execution plans.
- Coordinated logistics for 40+ person crews; owned schedules, storyboards, and contractor alignment on live shoots.

Skills

Backend/Platform: TypeScript, Node.js, Go (learning), PostgreSQL, Docker, Cloud integrations, Data ingestion/reliability

Cloud/Security/Compliance: AWS, GCP, Azure, CIS Benchmarks (Foundations + Kubernetes), FedRAMP Moderate, SOC 2 / ISO 27001 / HIPAA / NIST (automation)

Tooling: Git, CI/CD (GitHub Actions, GitLab CI/CD)

Frontend (secondary): React, Next.js, Remix, Tailwind CSS