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Full-stack engineer who ships. 7+ years building production products end to end, now focused on **AI-native systems** — agentic workflows, RAG / vector search, and MCP integrations on Anthropic & OpenAI. I own the whole stack (TypeScript · React/Next · Node/Python · Postgres) and the whole arc — discovery and architecture through shipped, tested code. I build developer tools other engineers use, have led and hired engineering teams, and have delivered enterprise web and native apps. Happiest hands-on in the codebase.

SKILLS

AI Engineering — agentic systems & agents · MCP · RAG · vector search · embeddings · LLM integration (Anthropic Claude, OpenAI) · prompt engineering · AI-assisted dev (Claude Code, Cursor) · AI features in production

Full-Stack — TypeScript · JavaScript · React · Next.js · Remix · Svelte · Node · Express · Python · GraphQL · Postgres · Redis · Tailwind · Vite

Native & Web — iOS / Android · PWAs · WebViews & native bridges · Core Web Vitals · web performance

Infra & Ops — AWS (Lambda, S3) · Vercel · Cloudflare Workers · CI/CD · Sentry · Datadog

Commerce platform (deep specialty) — Shopify Plus · Hydrogen/Oxygen · Functions · Checkout Extensibility · Storefront & Admin GraphQL · B2B · Markets · Stripe & custom gateways · platform migrations

Leadership — engineering management · hiring · mentorship · roadmapping · discovery, scoping & SOWs · pre-sales solutioning

EXPERIENCE

Avenue Z (acquirer of Varfaj) — **VP of Engineering** · Remote Feb 2026 – Present

- Build and ship **AI-native products** — agentic workflows and AI features on Anthropic / OpenAI with **RAG and vector search** — while staying hands-on in the code.
- Embedded **LLM-assisted development** (Claude Code, Cursor, MCP) across the team, raising shipping velocity and code quality.
- Own architecture end to end across a broad surface: **native iOS / Android apps**, API integrations (Meta Conversions API), internal tooling, and enterprise web builds.
- Lead a distributed engineering team — hiring, mentorship, roadmap — through the acquisition that earned the team **Shopify Platinum Partner** status.

Varfaj — **VP of Engineering** (formerly Engineering Director) · Remote Oct 2022 – Feb 2026

- Designed and built a **production developer tool** (the firm's theme-build platform) — averaged **mobile PSI 60–90** with consistently green **Core Web Vitals**.
- Led engineering for enterprise product builds — **JLO Beauty, Mosh, Murad, Hydrafacial, ISSA, Esther Price** — and shipped a **custom Stripe payment gateway** (Sika Health).
- Architected and delivered **platform migrations** and stood up **B2B / Markets** programs for enterprise brands.
- Grew the firm from unknown to **Shopify Premier** → **Platinum Partner**; primary technical voice with clients, from discovery → architecture → shipped code.

Speed Bostr — **Team Lead, Developer** · Remote Apr 2019 – Apr 2022

- Analyzed, optimized, and shipped feature/design updates across **300+ stores**.
- Average per-store impact: **page weight –46%, server requests –43%, page speed +35%**.

Earlier: Trellis Co — Front-End Engineer (React/Next, headless), 2022 · Eastside Co — Developer, 2021–22 · Veyl Ventures — Lead Developer, 2021.

SELECTED PROJECTS

claudecode.nvim — "the Cursor experience for Neovim": inline diffs, AI chat, and code-context integration via the Claude CLI (Lua + Rust bridge).
github.com/douglasjordan2/claudecode.nvim

MMA Scorecards — cross-platform fight-scoring app (iOS / Android / installable PWA): one Svelte UI behind native shells via a versioned bridge, **5 languages incl. RTL Arabic**, offline-first.

c0 — personal knowledge-graph / agent-memory system (Neo4j + embeddings) that augments LLM workflows with retrieval and temporal queries.

ghostpres — MongoDB-style aggregation pipelines over Postgres jsonb (TypeScript).

EDUCATION

Bloom Institute of Technology (formerly Lambda School) — Professional Endorsement · 2018–2020