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SKILLS

Technical	TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, React, Next.JS, Langchain, Node.js, NestJS, GraphQL
Databases & Cloud	PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, AWS, GCP, Kubernetes, Docker, CloudFormation
Soft skills	Leadership, team building, strategic planning, stakeholder management
Product/Feature Ownership	Guiding products from concept to market launch

11+ YOY TOTAL, INCLUDING FOLLOWING ROLES AND MORE:

Founding/Staff Software Engineer Nov 2023 — Present Arro Financial (FinTech, EdTech) *Los Angeles, Remote*

- **AI:** Led development of GPT/AI chatbot, leveraging NLP and ML for personalized learning. Initiative improved user engagement and decreased number of overdue bills by 30%.
- **Migration:** Led the migration from AWS Lambdas to NestJS, enhancing system efficiency and performance. This initiative improving service reliability, scalability and increased engineering team productivity by light years.
- **Engineering:** Launched new products like **Grow 2.0**, ensuring seamless functionality. Led backend strategy and development, incl. using GraphQL, Typescript, Flightcontrol.
- **Fullstack:** As feature owner, build and maintain fullstack Next.js web onboarding platform for new customers, including Plaid integration, KYC, AML, and other financial services leading to 20% increase in customer acquisition.

Founding Software Engineer Sept 2015 — Dec 2023 (8 years) ONMoon LLC (Gaming, FinTech) *Remote*

- **Achievements:** Started as a regular engineer and quickly grew to a leader, founding engineer. Working on fullstack solutions for high-load gambling projects, utilizing JavaScript/TypeScript, Vue/Nuxt, Node.js, and PostgreSQL. My work improved system performance and user engagement, resulting in a 10+ million user base growth over years.
- **Management, Leadership:** Invented and built SkinPay, an innovative platform for instant selling of in-game skins with real-time payment processing, leading to \$1M+ upsurge in revenue.
- **Payment processing:** Built a robust internal payment system that processed over 1.5+ million transactions and connected seamlessly with 40+ different partner APIs with crypto and fiat currencies.
- **DevOps:** Migrated entire projects infrastructure from dedicated servers to Google Cloud Platform, including databases and instances; showcased expertise in cloud technologies (AWS, GCP) and achieved seamless transition with zero downtime, reducing operational costs by 40%.
- **High load:** Architected scalable backend infrastructure for popular Chrome ext (Steam Inventory Helper) with 1.5M+ active users and 100k+ DAU resulting in exploding user base and **increased revenue by 200%**. Responsible for the entire backend, including TypeScript, PostgreSQL, Stripe APIs, Crypto, and more.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Computer Networks	Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University 2009 - 2015
HackerRank Problem Solving (Intermediate)	Certificate
HackerRank Node.js	Certificate

PROJECTS

GPTaskBot.io Founded AI-powered Telegram assistant startup - gptask.io

- Engineered chatbot using GPT-4 & Google Cloud 100k+ daily messages, 40k users (30% retention) in 3 months.
- Gained **40,000** users in the first 3 months, with a 30% retention rate.
- Technical stack: TypeScript and Google Cloud Platform (GCP) with PubSub, CloudFunctions and 10+ external APIs.
- Revenue: 6000+ paid subscribers, 100 000 total users.

Check out my 5+ other small-side projects on podelenko.pro

HOBBIES

Hiking:	Explored 100+ trails in California. Cosmo (my aussie doggo) joins me on adventures.
Rocket Launches:	I'm a space enthusiast and very passionate about new space technologies and industry.
Traveling:	Visited 30+ countries, aiming for 100+