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Background

I don't build things because they're easy but because they are fun to build.

I started programming when I was around twelve years old, when I encountered an extracurricular course on Pascal. From then on, my thirst to create things that made life easier was all-encompassing. I created programs to automate those tedious tasks when Windows ME was considered a progressive operating system. When the web came about, I jumped into PHP and Python to deploy HTML-apps (which were then called Sites) and experimented with the early implementations of CSS, which kindled my interest in frontend work. Ever since then, I take up new and promising technologies that try to make the world more awesome.

My most recent work features Full-Stack JavaScript projects, with Node.js backends, NoSQL databases like MongoDB, RethinkDB and InfluxDB for Realtime IoT projects. I tinker with Arduinos because I believe that no home is complete without a sensor that turns on music when you enter your kitchen.

Education

Political Science, Philosophy 2008 - 2012 Dresden University of Technology

Computer Science 2004 - 2007 Humboldt University Berlin

Professional Experience

obergudt UG (haftungsbeschränkt), Berlin, Germany

Co-Founder, CTO & Lead Developer - November 2013 to Present
I am the Software Architect, Frontend and Backend Engineer of this Full-Stack JavaScript Single-Page Application. obergudt is a highly available online Marketplace for Local Food.

Software Development Consultancy, Dresden/Berlin, Germany

Freelancer, May 2007 to Present I consult companies regarding modern Software Development practices, hands-on problem solving and scalable Software Architecture. My work ranges from Database Migration (for [Pinguin Druck](#)), Customer-Facing Media Portals & Documentation (for [BlackCam 4D GmbH](#)) to Migrating Legacy Java Applications to a modular Single-Page Application based on AngularJS and Microservices (for [Plunet GmbH](#)).

Koding Inc., San Francisco, CA, USA

Software Engineer - August 2012 to August 2013 I develop frontend features for the Social Platform inside the Koding application. Additionally, I prototyped the E-Learning platform on Koding, which has grown into the [Koding University](#).

König Software GmbH, Dresden, Germany

Software Developer - August 2011 to March 2012 I prototyped and wireframed the initial stages of a B2C/B2B platform for connecting home owners and appliance merchants.

kontur networx GmbH, Berlin, Germany

Frontend Developer - November 2005 to May 2007 I implemented frontend and backend functionalities to a number of small- to midsized company websites.

Personal Projects

For obergudt, I have been releasing Tools and Libraries as Open Source Projects, such as [FIWARE Object Storage for Node.js](#), a [Grunt Task for Translation File Sync](#) and a [Node.js Module Memory Footprint Scanner](#). I developed plenty of personal projects, among which [Spark](#) was the first. In the early days of [Nodester](#), I was active in the community of that project, providing support and testing experimental features. The project has since been acquired by AppFog.