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Top Skills

Web Applications
Ruby on Rails
Enterprise Software

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Hands-on CTO/VP Engineering
San Francisco, California

Summary

Yes, I still write code almost every day. But my passion is helping growth-stage startups choose and cultivate the right people to take them to the next level without jeopardizing the company culture along the way.

My 20-year industry-spanning career has included helping grow Plumtree Software from a 25-person to a 450-person company that was acquired by BEA (and then by Oracle). For 10+ years, I ran a professional services company, managing my own software developers and teams of designers, product managers, and engineers on behalf of companies and projects in high security federal environments, fintech, pharma, aerospace, media, politics, and large corporate events. I spun four commercial products out of this company, one of which won a prestigious award and another which powered the scheduling and social networking for SXSW, Oracle Open World, The National Performing Arts Festival of South Africa and scores of other events.

I've also worked in engineering management and other leadership roles at several startups.

In my "free" time, I'm an author, activist, and professional public speaker.

Experience

Lawrence Lessig
Chief Technology Officer
September 2015 - Present
San Francisco, CA

Managed a team of engineers, product managers, social media marketers, and PR experts to build and support technologies for Larry Lessig's campaign for President in 2016. Currently setting the technical vision and and executing

his fundraising, marketing, and software development efforts targeted at reforming the electoral process.

Lab Zero Innovations Inc.

Software Developer

February 2016 - Present

San Francisco Bay Area

Lab Zero provides software design, development, and strategic consulting in web, mobile, and enterprise technology for our portfolio customers. We can augment an existing team or work with you from scratch to build a product.

Contact us about your next project: info@labzero.com

Viggle Inc.

3 years 8 months

Managing Engineer

June 2015 - February 2016 (9 months)

San Francisco Bay Area

Developed web and mobile-based applications and games in the entertainment loyalty/rewards space. Led global engineering teams building the Viggle App, Wetpaint.com, NextGuide, Viggle Store, and Choose Digital.

Perk acquired Viggle in 2016.

Senior Software Engineer, Applications

January 2014 - June 2015 (1 year 6 months)

San Francisco

Led the design and development of transactional, service-oriented web/mobile prediction games for fantasy football and several popular TV shows.

Senior Software Engineer, Dijit

October 2012 - December 2013 (1 year 3 months)

Refactored and built upon the existing Ruby on Rails based API server that enabled Dijit Remote, NextGuide for iPad and NextGuide for the web, helping Dijit improve and enhance their service-oriented architecture. Designed and built an email templating system that supported creating, styling, and sending recurring emails through Mandrill, MailChimp's transactional email platform. Overhauled and service-enabled the neo4j-based collaborative filtering engine that provided TV and movie recommendations for the NextGuide platform.

Viggle acquired Dijit in 2014.

Senior Software Engineer, Miso

July 2012 - September 2012 (3 months)

Created a Spotify music import and analysis system that provided an endless pseudo-random office playlist, automatically influenced by everyone in the office. Built the Facebook Open Graph integration for Miso's iPhone application that enabled people to screen-capture and comment on nearly everything on TV.

Dijit acquired Miso in 2012.

Walmart eCommerce

Senior Software Architect

January 2011 - June 2012 (1 year 6 months)

San Francisco Bay Area

Worked on the following projects on Walmart.com's search team:

1. Processing a search-term-to-sale report and turning into a "related searches" tag cloud to improve SEO traffic by 10% (Java/J2EE, bash scripting, JSP, HTML/CSS, Struts, JSTL)
2. Sending various signal feeds (social and otherwise) into the Endeca search engine to increase results relevance, lifting sales 7% (Endeca, Java/J2EE, XML)
3. Writing scripts for @WalmartLabs to assist them with search engine automation, scripting for fault-tolerant index updates, server restarts, etc. (Lucene/solr, bash scripts)

Social Collective, Inc.

Co-founder and CEO

April 2009 - December 2010 (1 year 9 months)

San Francisco Bay Area

Started a social software product company that conceived, developed, launched, and marketed three products used by millions of people:

1. Earn Mojo, a social game where people can check into websites, Twitter and Facebook to compete for awards and recognition;
2. Crowd Campaign, a web platform on which people can set up and run a social contest on Facebook or Twitter in minutes;

3. Social Collective, a scheduling and attendee networking platform used by SXSW, Oracle Open World and dozens of other large events.

We wrote all the web-facing products on Ruby on Rails running on Nginx on Rackspace Cloud servers with a MySQL backend.

Pathable acquired Social Collective in 2011.

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Founder and CTO

January 2003 - January 2010 (7 years 1 month)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Founded, grew, and managed an software development agency focused on Plumtree, BEA Systems and Oracle products that provided installation, configuration, development/integration, management, support and other services in the AquaLogic/WebCenter product line to hundreds of private sector and government customers.

Worked with dozens of these customers personally, including Central Intelligence Agency, Defence Technical Information Center, Exxon Mobil, Fanny Mae, Glaxo Smith Kline, Merck Medco and Veteran's Health Administration. Worked in tandem with consultants from Booz Allen Hamilton, General Dynamics, Lockheed Martin, Schlumberger, Northrop Grumman, and SAIC. Carried a TS/SCI security clearance.

My former partner earned me out of BDG and has owned and operated the company since 2010.

Plumtree Software

Lead Engineer

July 1998 - December 2002 (4 years 6 months)

Deployed Plumtree's Enterprise Portal at the first several customer sites; architected and built administrative and end-user UI for the portal in ASP and later in Java; designed and built several gadget/portlet products including portlets for Excel (in VBA), Microsoft Exchange, IMAP/POP, Lotus Notes, Documentum, SAP and Siebel (all in Java). Invented the concept of a "gadget framework" and applied this new technology to the Siebel, SAP and Excel Frameworks. Managed teams of Senior Engineers.

BEA acquired Plumtree in 2005 and Oracle acquired BEA in 2008.

Education

Stanford University

Bachelor of Science (BS), Computer Science · (1994 - 1998)

University of California, Berkeley

· (1993 - 1994)

Monte Vista High School

· (1990 - 1994)