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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, Kind Patches, 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](https://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