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AWS Certified AI & Cloud Solutions Architect | Ex-AWS | Freelance Consultant

Expertise:

- Enterprise AI/ML Solutions Architecture
- Gen AI & LLM Implementation (Amazon Bedrock, SageMaker)
- MLOps & LLMOps Platform Design & Deployment, deployed on Cloud, or on-premise.

What I Bring:

- 7+ years of experience in AI/ML and cloud solutions
- Deep expertise in AWS services and best practices
- Strong background in both technical implementation and business strategy
- Track record of successful projects with major financial institutions

EDUCATION

Msc in Data Science École Polytechnique **Msc in Data Science for Business HEC** Paris **Bsc in Engineering EPFL**

WORK EXPERIENCE

Crédit Agricole Assurances (Contracted by AWS Professional Services) 05/2024 - Present **Lead AWS Generative AI Architect** Paris, Île-de-France, France

- Provided strategic guidance on AI and cloud adoption, advising on the architecture of end-to-end AI solutions.
- Developed and deployed an MLOps platform to support scalable Al initiatives.
- · Led the deployment on AWS of two AI projects into production, including intelligent document processing for insurance claim handling.
- Fine-tuned AI solutions to meet specific customer needs and optimized them for the operational environment.
- Trained internal teams on AWS & AI technologies and best practices, ensuring knowledge transfer and self-sufficiency.
- Tech Stack: AWS SageMaker, Amazon Bedrock, AWS Step Functions, SageMaker Pipelines, Jenkins, Terraform, Amazon S3, AWS Lambda, Amazon CloudWatch.

Amazon Web Services (AWS) AI/ML Cloud Architect

- Led strategic cloud adoption projects for Financial Services clients, driving AI/ML architecture, implementation, and production deployment. Delivered large-scale MLOps platforms, optimized AI workflows, and enabled real business impact.
- NatWest Group: Deployed a large-scale MLOps platform to streamline ML workflows across 40+ teams in Marketing, Finance, and Risk Management.
- Standardized model development, training, and deployment, reducing environment provisioning from weeks to hours.

08/2020 - 04/2024 Paris, Île-de-France, France

- Integrated AWS CodePipeline, CodeBuild, and Step Functions for end-to-end automation, enhancing model governance and traceability.
- Strategic Account (Tech): Built and deployed Kubernetes-based MLOps platforms for one of AWS's largest strategic account, standardizing ML workflows across business units.
- Tech: Ray (distributed model training), Amazon EKS, Kubeflow, MLflow, Prometheus, Grafana.
- Solution: Scalable and automated ML lifecycle management leveraging Kubernetes.
- Santander: Supported ML deployment for financial analytics and operational automation.
- Tech: AWS SageMaker, AWS Lambda, Apache Airflow, PyTorch, TensorFlow.
- MUFG Bank: Designed and deployed intelligent document processing, reducing manual effort by 80%.
- Tech: AWS Textract, AWS Comprehend, SageMaker, Lambda, Step Functions.
- Allianz Germany: Led a 12-month Data & DevOps engagement, building a self-service data science platform serving 50+ business units , reducing kubernetes cluster creation time from 2 weeks to 1 hour.
- Tech: AWS EMR, Databricks, Terraform, AWS Glue, Athena, Redshift.
- **Major European Bank** Fraud Detection: Delivered an AI-powered surveillance & fraud detection system with 90% accuracy, unlocking a \$2M revenue opportunity.
- Tech: AWS SageMaker, XGBoost, Scikit-learn, Apache Kafka, DynamoDB.
- • Published MLOps & DevOps artifacts, presented at internal and external (Gen)Al conferences.
- • Contributed to AWS IP, supported recruitment, mentoring, and graduate programs.

Wheel the World Full Stack Engineer (Contract)

- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to optimize accessibility features for users with disabilities by building a crowdsourced platform that gathers detailed accessibility data from travel operators worldwide.
- Architected and developed a scalable data processing application using React.js for the frontend, implementing responsive UI components and Redis for cache management.
- Engineered a robust Python Flask REST API backend, handling complex data transformations and implementing authentication middleware.
- Containerized the application using Docker and orchestrated deployment on AWS ECS, setting up CI/CD pipelines with GitHub Actions that reduced deployment time by 60%.

Natixis Bank Data Scientist & Strategist (Contract)

- Led the development of an innovative cross-selling analytics solution to identify business opportunities across Trading & Sales divisions, resulting in 15% increase in lead generation potential.
- Conducted comprehensive stakeholder analysis and feasibility studies with IT, Data Science, and Business teams to validate solution architecture and implementation roadmap.
- Developed proof-of-concept using Python for opportunity identification algorithm, integrating CRM data and customer satisfaction metrics to enhance sales team effectiveness.
- Designed and validated implementation strategy for cross-selling tool deployment, including change management plan and user adoption framework for commercial teams.

Ecole Polytechnique Executive Education Innovation Consultant (Contract)

- Worked for the Executive Education department on a market study on tech & innovation certifications for executives.
- Conducted comprehensive market analysis of executive education programs across top-tier institutions, focusing on technology and innovation certifications, evaluating pricing strategies, curriculum structures, and delivery methods.
- Led strategic research initiatives to identify emerging trends in executive tech education, particularly examining programs incorporating AI, digital transformation, and innovation management frameworks.
- Developed detailed recommendations for program structure and content based on competitor analysis, incorporating elements of innovation consulting methodologies and industry best practices.

06/2020 - 07/2020

07/2020 - 08/2020

San Francisco Bay Area

Paris, Île-de-France, France

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ODDO BHF AI Strategist (Contract)

02/2020 - 04/2020 Paris, Île-de-France, France

- The projects focused on automating manual processes and enhancing decision-making capabilities through AI/ML, specifically for ODDO BHF's real estate and banking portfolio management teams.
- Led strategic analysis of AI/ML opportunities for two major funds (Real Estate and Banking), conducting detailed assessment of data sources including Bloomberg, Factset and proprietary databases to identify automation and prediction opportunities.
- Designed Al-powered dashboard mockups and data visualization solutions to help fund managers track key metrics, including automated missing data detection and real-time market sentiment analysis.
- Developed proof-of-concept for natural language processing (NLP) news monitoring system to automatically detect market trends and investment opportunities across multiple languages and sources.
- Evaluated and recommended AI technology vendors and platforms through detailed technical analysis and alignment with ODDO BHF's infrastructure requirements.

Roland Berger Data Science Consultant

- Luxury & Cosmetics Industry: Led development of a customer segmentation solution analyzing 500K+ social media posts using NLP and computer vision, enhancing targeted marketing strategies.
- Football League: Developed machine learning models to monitor player performance and predict rising football talents with 80% accuracy for a top-tier football club, driving data-informed scouting decisions.
- Healthcare & Pharma: Architected an automated AWS data pipeline for real-time data collection, reducing manual data preparation time by 70%, optimizing project timelines.
- Internal: Created reusable data science code integrated into Dataiku's collaborative platform, developing drag-and-drop analytics tools for HR and empowering non-technical consultants to perform advanced analysis, reducing time-to-insight by 60%.

Artémis Gestion SA Full Stack Developer (Contract)

- Architected and developed a comprehensive portfolio management dashboard using React.js for the frontend and Node is for the backend, enabling real-time tracking of project metrics and financial data.
- Implemented automated data visualization features including performance indicators, budget tracking, and resource allocation metrics, resulting in a 40% reduction in manual reporting time.
- Designed and integrated RESTful APIs to connect with multiple database systems, ensuring seamless data flow between frontend interfaces and backend services.

Nestlé Chair in Energy Metabolism Data Scientist & Research Assistant (Contract)

- Worked in Prof. Auwerx laboratory to design and implement a high-performance SQL database architecture for processing 10+ petabytes of biological research data annually.
- Developed a comprehensive data pipeline using Python's Biopython libraries for genetic sequence manipulation and statistical analysis.
- Leveraged R's biostatistical capabilities for advanced statistical modeling and visualization of biological data.

EPFL (École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne) Teaching Assistant (Programming & Mathematics)

- Led weekly exercise sessions for Analysis II and Programming (C++), delivering interactive tutorials and practical demonstrations to groups of 30 students, resulting in improved student comprehension and engagement.
- Provided comprehensive academic support through regular office hours, offering one-on-one mentoring and clarifying complex mathematical concepts including differential calculus, Taylor's formula, and vector analysis.

03/2019 - 09/2019 Paris 08, Île-de-France, France

03/2018 - 08/2018 Lausanne Area, Switzerland

02/2018 - 08/2018

Lausanne, Vaud, Switzerland

09/2016 - 08/2018 Lausanne Area, Switzerland

- Managed course assessment responsibilities including grading assignments, programming projects, and examinations while maintaining detailed records and providing constructive feedback.
- Collaborated with faculty to develop supplementary teaching materials and programming examples, ensuring alignment with course objectives and supporting both theoretical and practical learning components

Vaudoise Assurances

10/2017 - 12/2017 Lausanne Area, Switzerland

Tech Strategist & Software Developer (Contract)

- Developed and implemented a fleet management and claim processing system that reduced handling time by 30%, processing hundreds of claims per month while maintaining high accuracy in validation and settlement procedures.
- Engineered a custom contract analysis tool that streamlined the verification of complex insurance policies, reducing manual review time from hours to 20 minutes per case and enabling real-time cross-referencing with multiple databases.
- Established an integrated document processing workflow that automatically extracted and validated data from multiple formats including PDFs, scanned documents, and digital forms.

CERTIFICATIONS

AWS Certified Data Analytics – Specialty	09/2021
Amazon Web Services (AWS)	
AWS Certified SysOps Administrator – Associate	01/2021
Amazon Web Services (AWS)	
AWS Certified Developer – Associate	11/2020
Amazon Web Services (AWS)	
AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Associate	10/2020
Amazon Web Services (AWS)	