



Bjarni Jens Kristinsson

Curriculum Vitae

Work experience

- 2024 – *curr.* **Lead Engineer, Klarna**, Stockholm, Sweden
Resolving operational bottlenecks with LLMs and Python to reduce risk and create measurable business impact.
- 2022 – 2024 **Team Lead, Syscon**, Stockholm, Sweden
Hands-on manager of a team of 4 to 8 developers. Building and maintaining a strong team by focusing on team dynamics, motivation and people growth. Modernising our tech stack, culture and internal dev environment. Developing in React/Typescript, Python and Azure.
- 2020 – 2022 **Senior Software Engineer, Klarna**, Stockholm, Sweden
Driving a change towards automated and data-driven recruitment at Klarna. Started initiatives and led the technical work of using robots and algorithms to evaluate online profiles at bulk and generating personalised reach-out messages based on their data.
- 2019 – 2020 **Senior DevOps Consultant, Opsdis**, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2015 – 2018 **Software Developer, WuXi NextCODE**, Reykjavik, Iceland
- Summer 2014 **Software Developer, Invector**, Reykjavik, Iceland
- Summer 2013 **Software Developer, Reykjavik Energy**, Reykjavik, Iceland

Development tools

- Languages Python, TypeScript/JavaScript
- Mindset DevOps, TDD, CI/CD, ETL pipelines, data manipulation, end-to-end ownership
- Toolbox AWS, Azure, Docker, Jenkins, Travis, Ansible, Terraform, Linux, Bash/Zsh, $\text{\LaTeX}$
- Data analysis Pandas, NumPy, Keras, TensorFlow, R, Octave/MatLab, Prometheus, Grafana, SQL

Education

- 2017 – 2019 **M.Sc. in Computer Science, Reykjavik University**, Iceland
Spent the year 2017–18 at *Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam* in the Netherlands taking courses on distributed systems, concurrency algorithms, coding theory and cryptography. RU courses on topics such as machine learning, deep neural networks and combinatorics.
- 2012 – 2015 **B.Sc. in Mathematics, University of Iceland**, Reykjavik
Specialization in Computer Science. Elective courses in subjects such as algorithms, probability theory, combinatorics and graph theory. President of the student union Stigull during the school year 2013–14.

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Teaching

- 2018 – 2019 **Teacher Assistant**, *Reykjavik University*, Reykjavik
Teacher assistant and grading homework in courses on Calculus, Statistics and Discrete Mathematics.
- Fall 2013 **Teacher Assistant**, *University of Iceland*, Reykjavik
Teacher assistant in a Linear Algebra course.
- 2012 – 2014 **More teaching**, *Various employers*, Reykjavik
I have taught a computer science class for the Youth University (summer 2013), revision courses in mathematics for Nobel tutoring Ltd. (2012 – 2013) as well as I have had many students for private tutoring in mathematics (2012 – 2014).

Interests

- family As a father of two, much of my free time is devoted to my family. If it isn't time spent on the playground with my sons or at home playing cards with my partner, I might be cleaning the floor around the baby chairs or washing their clothes.
- sports I love all kinds of sports. Mostly I ride bikes either recreationally or as a way to commute to work or on other errands. I like to go on hikes and I try camping at least once a year. I play football regularly and sometime I've lifted weights at a gym. In the summer of 2012 my friend and I went on a 2 month biking tour through Europe, visiting six countries and bicycling over 1600 km.
- chess For many years I studied chess and I achieved a peak ELO rating of 2062. In 2007 I became national champion U20 and in 2009 I played in the World Youth Chess Championship held in Antalya, Turkey. Twice I became Nordic champion and three times national champion with my junior college chess team. I have taught chess in various elementary schools and organized my own summer chess workshops.
- math I am deeply intrigued by the concept of infinity and I take joy in intuitive proofs by contradiction. During junior college I participated in multiple mathematics competitions and twice I was selected to compete with the national team in Baltic Way.
- tech Previous hands-on hobby projects included autonomous Raspberry Pis hosting websites and recording timelapses. Set up blog.bjk.is to document some of it. I manage my own VPS hosting websites and experimenting with various webservices.

Languages

- Icelandic native language
Swedish fluent
English full professional proficiency
French beginner level

References

Available upon request.

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