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Atlassian, Confluence AI/ML + Big Data
Head of Engineering

Remote / Bellevue, WA
Dec. 2023 – Present

Microsoft, News Feed
Principal Group Engineering Manager (M2)

Redmond, WA
Nov. 2021 – Dec. 2023

Microsoft, Bing Search
Principal SWE → Principal Software Engineering Manager (M1)

Bellevue, WA
May 2019 – Nov. 2021

Microsoft Hackathon, Modern Life Challenge, **1st Place** (out of 6,860 projects and 27,022 employees) 9/2019

Oracle, Cloud Infrastructure Platform
Principal Member of Technical Staff, Technical Lead

Seattle, WA
Jan. 2018 – Mar. 2019

Microsoft, Bing Search
Software Engineer → Senior Software Engineer, Technical Lead

Bellevue, WA
Jul. 2010 – Nov. 2017

Microsoft Hackathon, **4th Prize** 2/2014

Bing Hackathon, Mentor, **3rd Place** (out of 53 projects) 11/2013

Bing Innovation Awards, **3rd Place** (out of 56 projects) 10/2013

Bing Hackathon, **2nd Place** (out of 65 projects) 7/2013

Bing Science Fair, **Best Business Value Winner** (out of 72 projects) 5/2013

Bing Hackathon, **1st Place** (out of 93 projects) 11/2012

Bing Intern Hackathon, Mentor, **3rd Place** 7/2012

Bing Hackathon, **1st Place** (out of 42 projects) 6/2011

Answerjoy, Online Trivia Game
Co-founder

Cluj-Napoca, Romania
2008 – 2010

Microsoft, Bing Multimedia Search, Software Engineer Intern

Redmond, WA; Jul. – Sep. 2009

Jožef Stefan Institute, Software Engineer Intern

Ljubljana, Slovenia; Jul. – Sep. 2008

Google Summer of Code, Openmoko, Software Engineer Intern

Apr. – Sep. 2008

Microsoft Imagine Cup, **Worldwide Finalist** in Software Design

Seoul, South Korea; 8/2007

Microsoft Imagine Cup, National Finals in Software Design, **1st Place**

Timișoara, Romania; 5/2007

Microsoft Imagine Cup, **Central and Eastern Europe Regional Finalist** in Software Design Maribor, Slovenia; 5/2006

Microsoft Imagine Cup, National Finals in Software Design, **1st Place** Cluj-Napoca, Romania; 4/2006

Brooktrout Extreme Code Makeover Contest, **1st Place** 3/2006

Siemens Program and System Engineering, **Scholarship** 11/2005 – 6/2006

Microsoft Imagine Cup, National Finals in Software Design, **3rd Prize** Iași, Romania; 4/2005

Olympiad, National Finals in Informatics, **4th Prize** Buzău, Romania; 4/2004

Component Source Speech Control Contest, **1st Place** 6/2003

Ștefan Odobleja National Programming Contest, **2nd Place** Craiova, Romania; 4/2003

Education

University of Washington, Foster School of Business, Evening **MBA**

Seattle, WA; 9/2017 – 3/2022

Babeș-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, **MSc in Machine Learning**

Cluj-Napoca, Romania; 10/2008 – 7/2010

Babeș-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, **BSc in Computer Science**

Cluj-Napoca, Romania; 10/2005 – 7/2008

Technical Skills and Patents C++, JavaScript; Web Performance; **11 patents** filed with USPTO

Citizenships Romania and United States of America