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Engineering Leader · Principal Engineer · AI Agents for Software & AI Products

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SUMMARY

Engineering Leader and hands-on Principal Engineer with 22+ years of experience in developer tools at JetBrains. Product-oriented at heart: starts products from zero, talks to customers, and takes them to revenue. Brings AI to both sides: AI for software development, with AI Agents in the IDE and software factories, and AI inside new products. Built IDE Services, a B2B suite to manage IDEs and AI tools, from zero to multi-million ARR with 550+ enterprise customers and 130K+ developers, leading 50+ people. Still codes MCP servers and IDE tooling for AI Agents.

SKILLS

Leadership: engineering leadership, hiring, team building, product strategy, 0-to-1 products, B2B SaaS and on-premises, cross-functional alignment, sales-led go-to-market, software architecture.
AI: Agentic AI, AI Agents, AI Coding, LLM, LocalAI, MCP servers, multi-agent orchestration.
Engineering: developer tools, IntelliJ Platform, Kotlin, Java, JVM, Go, Docker, TeamCity, CI/CD.
Languages: English, Russian, German.

EXPERIENCE

jonnyzzz.com

Oct 2026 – present

Engineering Leader, Principal Engineer & Consultant

Independent consulting on developer experience and AI adoption, fractional or interim CTO. Builds MCP Steroid, an IntelliJ MCP server for AI Agents to run refactorings, inspections and tests; run-agent.sh for multi-agent orchestration; and redvig, just started, the next step after devrig.

JetBrains

Oct 2004 – Sep 2026

- **Principal Engineer, Agentic AI Development / Head of LocalAI Ecosystem**, Dec 2025 – Sep 2026. Built and promoted devrig, with published measured runs of IDE-backed and shell-only AI Agents. Worked on the stack that turns JetBrains IDEs into a platform for AI Agents and on AI adoption with product teams. Demoed Junie and AI Assistant on LocalAI with NVIDIA DGX Spark and Dell GB10 at AWS re:Invent 2025, the NVIDIA booth at GDC 2026, and SIGGRAPH 2026.
- **Department Lead of IDE Services**, Apr 2024 – Nov 2025. Led the B2B suite for companies to manage IDEs and AI tools, including AI Enterprise for secure AI assistant integration. Launched on-premises in Apr 2024 and SaaS in Oct 2024. Multi-million ARR in the first year from upgrades and up-sells to paying customers, 550+ enterprise customers, 130K+ developers. Led 50+ people and aligned 40+ more in 9+ peer teams without formal authority, built the sales-led growth motion with sales and customer success.
- **Toolbox Enterprise Development Lead**, Aug 2021 – Apr 2024. Hired and directly led engineering teams, oversaw the cross-team architecture, ran early customer interviews. Public beta in Nov 2023, released on time in Apr 2024.
- **Earlier roles, 2004 – 2021.** IntelliJ Developer (2019–2021): JDK Downloader, Shared Indexes, IntelliJ performance tests. Developer Advocate in Kotlin (2018–2019). Git hosting Software Developer and Product Owner (2016–2018): started solo, built and ran the production service for 300+ users and hundreds of TeamCity CI jobs (Go, Java, Kotlin, Docker), hired 3 interns (2 became employees), merged into JetBrains Space. Toolbox App (2015–2020): co-created it from a hackathon project. Senior Software Developer (2004–2016): 8 years on TeamCity (.NET, EC2, plugin API, NuGet), Upsource, ReSharper 2.x.

SPEAKING

57 talks on Kotlin, developer productivity and LocalAI: Devoxx, JavaOne, Gradle Summit, AWS re:Invent, GDC, SIGGRAPH. Co-organized Kotlin User Group Munich meetups.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Candidate of Sciences) in Computer Science, Saint Petersburg State University, 2006–2009. Master's degree in Computer Science, 2001–2006. Stanford GSB executive programs: Influence and Negotiation (2024), Strategy and Organization (2025).