

Bektaş Çimen

BACKEND DEVELOPER

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Summary

Backend Developer with 6+ years of experience building scalable, high-traffic microservices serving 900M+ users. Specialized in PHP (Laravel), Node.js, and distributed systems architecture with hands-on Kubernetes and Docker experience. Additionally experienced in building and shipping cross-platform mobile applications using React Native and LLM-based development workflows.

Core Competencies: Microservices, Distributed Systems, High Availability, REST APIs, Scalable Backend Architecture

Experience

Backend Developer — Teknasyon

Oct 2021 — Apr 2026

Istanbul, Turkey

- Owned backend services for Getcontact, a platform with 900M+ registered users globally
- Architected and maintained high-performance RESTful APIs serving millions of daily requests across mobile and web
- Engineered high-throughput, scalable backend services using PHP (Laravel, Phalcon) and Node.js in a distributed microservices architecture
- Orchestrated containerized deployments with Docker and Kubernetes ensuring high availability in production
- Built internal tools and admin panels with Vue.js, cutting manual business operations by 40%
- Optimized MySQL, PostgreSQL, and MongoDB databases — schema design, query tuning, and data migration
- Collaborated with mobile, frontend, and product teams in an agile workflow to ship features on tight deadlines

Software Developer — Quickpoint

Jan 2020 — Sep 2021

Istanbul, Turkey

- Delivered backend modules for 5+ web-based enterprise solutions using PHP
- Connected 10+ third-party services through RESTful APIs into existing platforms
- Structured database schemas and wrote performance-tuned queries for MySQL, improving page load times by 30%
- Executed full software development lifecycle — from requirement analysis to production deployment

Projects

Guessong — Music Guessing Game

App Store

Personal Project — AI-assisted development (Claude Code) — apple.co/4nPhXix

- Launched a music trivia game where players listen to short clips and guess the artist and title
- Implemented multiple game modes: daily challenges, quick play, category-based, and real-time multiplayer
- Shipped friends multiplayer functionality, global leaderboards, and a hints system
- Achieved 5.0-star rating on the App Store with multi-language support

Tripon — Travel Planner

App Store

Personal Project — AI-assisted development (Claude Code) — apple.co/4t6mfFp

- Designed a trip planning app with interactive maps, itinerary builder, and budget tracking
- Integrated Apple Maps with color-coded pins for restaurants, attractions, and hotels
- Architected offline-first data layer with automatic sync, collaboration features, and PDF export
- Monetized through a tiered subscription model with four pricing plans

Education

B.Sc. Computer Engineering

2015 — 2021

Yalova University, Faculty of Engineering

Skills

Languages: PHP, JavaScript, Java

Frameworks: Laravel, Phalcon, Node.js, Vue.js, Spring Boot, React Native

Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB

DevOps: Docker, Kubernetes, Git, REST API, CI/CD

AI / LLM: AI-assisted development (Claude Code), Prompt Engineering

Spoken Languages: Turkish (Native), English (Intermediate)

References

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