

Radu Palade

Senior Frontend / Fullstack Developer

Cluj-Napoca, Romania · Open to remote (EU time zones)

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SUMMARY

Senior frontend developer with 12+ years of experience building scalable web applications across diverse industries. Deep expertise in Vue.js (Vue 2/3, Composition API) and Nuxt, with production experience in TypeScript, React and Redux, plus backend experience in Node.js. Currently Technical Lead (Frontend) at HCLTech, building a fintech web application for a Benelux banking client. Previously led frontend development for high-traffic applications serving 1,000,000+ active users. Proven ability to deliver high-quality UI in agile, cross-functional teams, with a focus on clean, tested code (Jest, Cypress), web performance and accessibility. Open to senior remote roles.

EXPERIENCE

Technical Lead (Frontend) | HCLTech, Remote

Oct 2025 – Present

Fintech web application for a Benelux banking client

- Own frontend architecture and delivery of a fintech web application for a Benelux banking client, in a regulated environment with banking-grade security and performance requirements.
- Design and build scalable, component-based frontend solutions that meet strict compliance, accessibility and performance standards.
- Define and apply the frontend testing strategy across smoke, unit (Jest, Vitest) and end-to-end (Cypress) tests, plus mobile E2E with Detox.
- Mentor junior and mid-level developers through code reviews and shared frontend best practices and coding standards.
- Enforce code quality and security with SonarQube quality gates in CI/CD, with artifacts (npm packages, Docker images) delivered via Nexus.
- Work with cross-functional international teams across Benelux and Romania to ship financial software on schedule.

Stack: Vue.js, Jest, Vitest, Cypress, Detox, SonarQube, Nexus, Docker, GitLab CI/CD

Senior Frontend Developer (Freelance) | Self-employed, Cluj-Napoca

Nov 2020 – Oct 2025

Industry: Social media

- Led frontend development for high-traffic applications serving 1,000,000+ active users, improving reliability and maintainability.
- Partnered with product, design and backend to ship features aimed at improving user engagement and retention.
- Migrated the build from Webpack to Vite, cutting build times by 80–90%, and introduced TailwindCSS and the Vue 3 Composition API for faster development and better UX.
- Led the migration of the codebase from Vue 2 to Vue 3.
- Optimized application performance through lazy loading, code-splitting and bundle-size reduction.
- Built and maintained features in TypeScript and implemented real-time features using WebSockets.

Stack: Vue 2, Vue 3, Vuex, Nuxt, Angular, TypeScript, TailwindCSS, HTML, CSS, WebSockets, Vite, Webpack, Docker

Frontend Developer | Pentalog, Iași

Apr 2016 – Nov 2020

Projects: *Fintech* — multi-bank card aggregation app · Social media platform · Project management & issue-tracking tool

- Developed backend services in Node.js for the fintech multi-bank card aggregation platform.
- Developed and maintained React components in a Kanban/Scrum workflow, contributing to higher sprint velocity and fewer bugs.
- Wrote unit tests (Jest, Enzyme) and end-to-end tests (Cypress), ensuring feature reliability.
- Participated in product grooming, sprint planning and retrospectives to align technical and business goals.
- Delivered pixel-perfect marketing websites and responsive email templates under tight deadlines.
- Worked closely with design and QA to ensure cross-browser compatibility and responsive behavior.

Stack: React, Redux, Node.js, Jest, Enzyme, styled-components, Cypress, HTML5, CSS3, LESS, jQuery, PHP

Frontend Developer | IntelligentBee, Iași

Jun 2015 – Apr 2016

- Built the frontend of a student-accommodation booking platform (Airbnb-style) helping Erasmus students find housing abroad. **Stack:** jQuery, Symfony, HTML, CSS.

Frontend Developer | Vuzum, Iași

Apr 2014 – Jun 2015

- Developed custom WordPress themes for a range of clients and built responsive HTML5/CSS3 templates for desktop, tablet and mobile, working closely with development and QA. **Stack:** WordPress, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript (jQuery, CoffeeScript), Responsive Web Design, Git.

PROJECTS

VreauDedicatie — vreaudedicatie.ro · Live · solo-built · Vue, Firebase, Firestore

Live web app where event guests scan a QR code and request songs and dedications from their phone, while the DJ runs the request queue from the booth — no app install needed.

- Designed and built the whole product solo, from the guest request flow to the real-time DJ dashboard for accepting or denying requests.
- Implemented QR-code room join and bound every request to a specific DJ/event; added a list of the latest songs recommended by each user.

Spendly — spendlyapp.net · Built with AI coding tools (Claude) · React, Firebase

- Spending tracker web app for tracking expenses, income and net worth.

Lift — iOS workout tracker (in App Store review) · Built with AI coding tools (Claude)

SKILLS

Languages: JavaScript (ES6+), TypeScript, HTML5, CSS3, PHP

Frameworks & Libraries: Vue 2, Vue 3 (Composition API), Nuxt, Vuex, React, Redux, Angular, Node.js, D3.js, jQuery

Styling: TailwindCSS, styled-components, LESS, responsive design

Testing: Jest, Vitest, Enzyme, Cypress, Detox, Storybook

Tooling & Platforms: Git, GitLab CI/CD, SonarQube, Nexus, Vite, Webpack, Docker, Firebase / Firestore, Jira

Practices: OOP, Agile (Scrum/Kanban), component-driven development, AI-assisted development (daily use of AI coding tools, e.g. Claude)

EDUCATION

Bachelor's in Information Technology | Universitatea Tehnică „Gheorghe Asachi”, Iași

2011 – 2015

LANGUAGES

English (Proficient) · Romanian (Native)