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Put me on the hard problem.

AI systems operator - Microsoft cloud engineer - product and program leader

I frame the system. An agent fleet supplies execution. Evidence decides what survives.

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POSITIONING

I turn ambiguous AI ideas into shipped, testable systems. Product judgment, system design, acceptance criteria, and the release decision stay human; agents accelerate the bounded work in between.

BEST ASSIGNMENT FIT

AI PRODUCT + PLATFORM

Agents, developer tools, applied AI, enterprise platforms

TECHNICAL PROGRAM LEADERSHIP

Infrastructure, cloud, security, multi-team delivery

FORWARD-DEPLOYED + SPECIAL PROJECTS

High-consequence deployments and zero-to-one systems

OPERATING MODEL

- 01 **FRAME** real user, constraint, failure condition
- 02 **DECOMPOSE** bounded work and explicit interfaces
- 03 **EXECUTE** parallel agent implementation and inspection
- 04 **VERIFY** tests, deterministic tools, browsers, receipts
- 05 **RELEASE** human resolves seams and owns the outcome

Agents may produce the work. I remain accountable for the specification, the evidence, and what gets called finished.

THE ASSIGNMENT I WANT NEXT

*Ambitious AI infrastructure. A product that must survive reality.
A special project without a clean playbook.*

If that is the work in front of you, send the problem - not a generic job description.

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BRING ME A HARD PROBLEM

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SELECTED PROOF

01 **Microsoft - from silos to signal**

Built a cross-product enterprise AI adoption loop. Direct result: 76 blockers surfaced and 7,380 users unblocked. The broader program helped add about 94K seats; Ben's lever was the analytics pipeline and cross-team forum.

02 **VibeCrafting**

Defined a physical-product system around fabrication artifacts: cut lists, shopping lists, exploded views, stock-aware ideation, printable connectors, parametric geometry, and OpenSCAD export. Live product and public gallery.

03 **Erdos**

Separated model reasoning from deterministic tools and a provenance ledger. Cache-only replay caught a real ordering bug. 'Verified' is reserved for a real Lean exit code; the first kernel-backed result reports no axioms.

CAREER OPERATING RECORD

- 5 prior years as Microsoft Senior Program Manager across Copilot, Graph, Windows 365, and Teams Devices
- 95+ features shipped through a rebuilt signal-to-engineering pipeline
- Premier Engineering scaled from a 3-person pilot to 150 agents handling 60K incidents per year
- Current public fleet: timestamped Git activity and linked receipts at brokenbranch.dev/dossier