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EDUCATION

Abertay University

Master of Science (MSc) in Computer Games Technology; GPA - 3.71 (Merit)

Relevant Coursework: Games Programming, 3D Graphics Programming (DirectX11), Theory of Computation, Artificial Intelligence, User Experience/Human-Computer Interaction, Network Game Programming

Cummins College of Engineering for Women

Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech) in Information Technology; CGPA - 8.07 (First Class with Distinction) Jul 2017-Jun 2021 Relevant Coursework: Object-Oriented Programming, Analysis of Algorithms, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Data Structures, Information Retrieval, Cloud Computing, Big Data and Analytics, Computer Architecture, Database Systems

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: C#, Java, C++, HTML5, CSS 3, JavaScript, ReactJs Python, MySQL, HLSL Frameworks and Databases: SQL, DirectX11, IBM SPSS, WebRTC, AWS, OpenGL, MongoDB, DoTween, Flask, Android Studio Tools and Libraries: Git, Figma, Unity Engine, Excel, VS Code, Balsamiq, TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Tableau, Blender, Unreal Engine

EXPERIENCE

LimitBreak Mentorship

Mentee (Figma, Unity, Visual Studio (C#), GitHub, Balsamiq, Excel)

- Collaborated with mentor Marcus Skov to design two projects focused on UI design and programming for games, using industry best practices.
- Designed a bespoke colour-blindness accessibility tool in unity with colour selection using pre-selection modes and a custom colour picker. The tool works as a replacement for the standard colour-blindness filter provided by your operating system. [Link]
- Redesigned the inventory system from Zelda, while borrowing references from the inventory in Cult of the Lamb. Used Sprite Atlas for optimising sprite loading and the model view controller pattern for managing the inventory and inventory component features. [Link]

Paper Cutter Games

Lead Programmer

"Project Filter" (C#, Unity, Git)

- Implemented the foundation for the character controller, environment interaction as well as the Enemy AI system. •
- Set up the combat system and laid the foundation for an ability system and charge meter as well as the UI for the same. • Used Git to commit code, created task-appropriate branches, and addressed code reviews. Helped flag and fix bugs
- present in the earliest iterations of the prototype.

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Junior Java Developer (ReactJs, WebRTC, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, AWS, Git, Postman)

- Hired as an intern and trained in a full-stack developer capacity. My responsibility was to create a proof-of-concept application for the web-conferencing product being developed by the company.
- Provided an end-to-end solution (from wireframes to implementation) while ensuring that we were providing a low-latency application using WebRTC.
- Provided knowledgeable technical support and root cause analysis and collaborated with team members and clients as required to resolve requests/issues in a timely manner and ensure the proper documentation, notification, escalation, tracking, and follow-up of all incidents.

PROJECTS

Formula 1 race simulator [Link]

(Java, OOP, Multi-threaded, Localisation, Testing)

- This was a solo project undertaken to showcase my skills of object oriented programming and practice multithreading.
- There are two different solutions provided, one non threaded and the other with multithreading. .
- Added features to provide localisation support to improve accessibility and also added helper functions to facilitate easier debugging.
- Designed unit tests to cross check proper working of the various functionalities of the race cars in isolation.

DemonSlaverFlix - A Netflix frontend clone [Link] (ReactJs, Firebase Hosting, Open source)

- This is DemonSlayerFlix, a frontend clone of Netflix's home page made just for the amazing anime series Demon Slayer.
- It is built with React JS and uses the TMDB API to pull in data and images.
- The project uses Firebase for hosting and analytics.

Pune. India

Oct 2020 - Jan 2021

Remote, Denmark

Dundee, Scotland

April 2022-Nov 2022

Pune. Maharashtra

May 2019 - Oct 2019

Aug 2023-Oct 2023

May 2023-May 2023

Dundee, UK

Sept 2021-Oct 2022

BattleSnake [Link] (HTML, CSS, JavaScript, AI, DOM manipulation, Opensource)

- Classic Snake game with an added AI Snake player that one can compete with in a 1v1 scenario..
- Uses OOP fundamentals and DOM manipulations and is a responsive application.

Designing an accessible UI / UX framework to enhance player experiences within games [Link]July 2022-Oct 2022(Figma, Unity, Visual Studio (C#), GitHub, Balsamiq, Excel, Quantitative analysis)July 2022-Oct 2022

• Created an extensible tool to allow users to customise colour options of all elements within the game using a bespoke colour selection system. Features provided for the base game: Procedural rooms (Similar to Binding of Isaac), AI enemies, random spawning of items and enemies within the generated rooms, and a powerup system.

• Designed the UI and wireframes in Figma and Balsamiq, created User Personas and storyboarding for potential users and created a unique storyline for each user group based on the type of gameplay experience, colour blindness and other social factors as well.

• Created a survey, conducted user tests and subsequent data analysis (Qualitative analysis) as well as presenting the data metrics for the final dissertation presentation. Achieved a **System Usability Score of 83.75%**.

"Monolith" University Group Project [Link]

(Figma, Unity, Visual Studio (C#), GitHub)

- Sole programmer with a team of second-year students composed of artists and level designers.
- Programmed and designed the entirety of the UI, environment, and mechanics present within the game (with console support).
 Designed and implemented a custom physics engine and separated controllers for player, character, and animations. Abilities
- and mechanics were programmed to be dynamic and could be toggled on/off through the inspector.
- Wrote a rigging guide for Unity 2d animations later used for enemy animations.
- Conducted Bug tests and ensured that project deliverables were achieved within time with clear documentation.

Procedural Graphics Maze Mini Game [Link]

(C++, DirectX11, DirectX toolkit, HLSL, 3D Maths, Visual Studio (C++), GitHub)

- Programmed procedurally generated content using C++, DirectX11 and the DirectX toolkit to create a 3D game.
- The mini-game included a minimap, score system, post-processing, terrain generation and a procedurally generated maze using cellular automata

• Also implemented an A* search algorithm to check if the maze could be solved and for post-processing, the effects chosen were the bloom and blur effects.

Deep Q-learning Network Tetris [Link]

(Python, OpenCV, Pygame, Tensorboard, Matplotlib, GitHub)

• Set up a deep q-learning agent in Python, and trained models to play Tetris based on specific parameters outlined within the agent.

• Programmed the game of Tetris in Pygame to be played by both the player and the simulation bot.

• Finally extracted the core values of the AI models during the tests to Tensorboard to be evaluated by a custom function written to cross-validate the models generated during the training phase.

PUBLICATIONS

- *"A Pedagogical Adoption of Game Theory to Finance Technology in Big Data Analytics"*, 5th International Conference on Trends in Electronics and Informatics (ICOEI) · Jun 18, 2021 [Link]
- *"Emergence and Convergence of AI, Blockchain and IoT",* International Journal of Future Generation Communication and Networking Vol. 13 No. 4 (2020) · Feb 11, 2021 [Link]

AWARDS AND LEADERSHIP

- Moderator and community organiser for <u>@TransGameDev</u>
- Smart India Hackathon Internal Round Winner Issued by the Government of India · Jan 2020. Led a team of five, to build an Implementation of Electronic Health Records using Blockchain for a 48-hour Hackathon. Achieved First Place.
- Core Organiser at Entrepreneur Cafe Pune May 2019-May 2020
- Core committee member for the Women In Data Science's (WiDS) Pune, a Stanford University Initiative [Link] Dec 2018-March 2020

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Feb 2022-May 2022