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INTRODUCTION

Previous clients include Microsoft, LG, Atlantic Productions and the Met Office. My work both personal and contracted has reached millions of users and featured on sites like [The Next Web](#), [Gizmodo](#) and [FastCoDesign](#).

I specialize in web development and computer graphics, however, I'm never shy to grapple with a new domain to meet the demands of a project.

I'm a advocate of open source and you can find my contributions under the handle '[haxiomic](#)'.

EXPERIENCE

Microsoft

June 2016 - Present

WebGL, GLSL, Physically Based Rendering

Contracting

- As part of a push for the 3D computing future, Microsoft are developing an internal physically based rendering engine (PBR) to be used in Paint3D and other Microsoft products (such as Remix3D).
- I was contracted to develop the WebGL version of the engine, which included implementing effects such as self-shadowing, bloom and glossy reflections.
- Device compatibility and performance are top priority in this project, so fallback techniques (such as float packing) were used to ensure a high quality PBR experience even on low-end devices.

Alchemy VR

Feb 2016 - June 2016

VR, C++, three.js, WebGL, GLSL, node.js

Contracting

- [Alchemy VR](#) are transitioning to distributing their VR films directly to users (rather than through exhibitions), I was contracted to develop the cross-platform Netflix-style video store to enable this.
- To provide a cross-platform base (where bundling a webview wasn't an option) I implemented the WebGL API over GLES using the V8 JavaScript engine (C++), this enabled us to reap the benefits of developing for the web (live feedback, easy distribution, easier to hire developers etc), whilst allowing access to native code and APIs where necessary.
- I was also responsible for developing the media delivery systems, which involved writing a content delivery server in node.js and developing an in-house DRM system.

Atlantic Productions

Dec 2015 - Feb 2016

three.js, WebGL, GLSL, HTML, SCSS

Contracting

- Contracted to develop interactive features for a companion website to [Atlantic Productions](#) recent series "David Attenborough's Great Barrier Reef". Features included a [WebGL globe displaying animated wind flow, atmospheric temperature and ocean current data](#)

DinahMoe

Nov 2015

WebGL, GLSL, Front-end Web

Contracting

- Contracted by [DinahMoe](#) to develop portions of an interactive WebGL film, Canada Goose's "Out There". The project included developing a system to render WebGL output to video.

LG & Responsive Ads

WebGL, GLSL, Front-end Web

Sept 2015
Contracting

- As part of an [LG OLED TV](#) ad campaign, I was contracted to produce an interactive WebGL fluid and particle simulation in collaboration with [responsiveads](#).
- The ad was required to run smoothly in all modern browsers, including mobiles and underpowered devices. The computationally intensive nature of the simulation required heavy optimization and an adaptive quality system.
- Traditionally this sort of simulation requires extensions to WebGL (such as floating point textures), to enable maximum compatibility, techniques were developed to pack simulation data into 4 byte textures which were available in every WebGL instance (whereas extensions are not).
- A early preview version of the ad is [available](#).

Met Office

WebGL, GLSL

June 2015
Consulting

- The [Met Office Informatics Lab](#) were developing a browser-based 3D visualization of live weather in the UK. I was brought in to consult on techniques for high-performance volumetric rendering and approaches to resolve performance issues their initial WebGL ray marching implementation.

Alchemy VR

Java, C++, Android, Mobile

June 2015, Sept 2015
Contracting

- [Alchemy VR](#) is a recently formed branch of [Atlantic Productions](#), their VR premier “David Attenborough’s First Life” was to be shown on 80 Gear VRs in the Natural History Museum from the 12th of June (2015).
- Alchemy asked me to solve a number of critical problems two weeks before their premier deadline. I was tasked with developing a custom VR video player and bypassing the built-in Oculus Home without resorting to rooting the devices.
- The custom VR video player was developed using C++, Java Native Interface and Oculus’s Mobile SDK and the bypass was developed with Java and the Android API.

fffunction

JavaScript, backbone.js, HTML, SCSS

Apr 2015
Contracting

- [fffunction](#) is a digital design agency in the Southwest with clients that include [Roland UK](#) and the Bristol museums group ([BMGA](#)).
- I was brought in to contribute to a browser-based book reader and preview app (commissioned by Oxford University Press). The app was developed with backbone.js, node.js and Grunt.
- My role involved developing a page layout engine and viewer thumbnail alongside bug fixes.

Hive

Objective-C, OS X Reverse Engineering, UI & UX, JavaScript

Nov 2013 - Jul 2014
Startup

- Hive was a team collaboration app I worked on with a small group during university. It was an experiment in developing the ideal collaboration tool. The philosophy was that team cohesion could be improved by reducing boundaries between computers; the goal was to be able to push content (including running programs) from one device to a teammate’s immediately and intuitively (in a similar manner to moving windows between multiple displays).
- The project won the Cisco Open Collaboration Challenge and was accelerated for 3 months at [dotforge](#).
- My role in the project was development of ‘State-sharing’ (which involved reverse engineering OS X’s state saving feature), UI & UX design, and the development of the native OS X app.
- I left the project after the release of OS X Yosemite which contained features (Continuity and Handoff) which competed with our core technology ‘State-sharing’.

SELECTED OPEN SOURCE PROJECTS

WebGL Fluid

September 2014

GLSL, Haxe, Lime, JavaScript, C++, WebGL

- [This project](#) is a GPU fluid and particle simulation written in Haxe and GLSL, targeting HTML5 for browsers and C++ for desktop and iOS. The simulation solves the Navier-Stokes equation for incompressible flow over a grid with the Jacobi method and uses the velocity field to advect over 1 million particles.
- The motivation for this project was to explore using WebGL for high performance physics simulations and to investigate the performance factors involved.
- It's been played with approximately **2 million times** by **1.6 million users**, achieving a total of **8 million** pageviews.
- It has reached the front page of [Reddit](#) ([twice](#)) and featured in articles on
 - [FastCoDesign](#)
 - [The Next Web](#)
 - [Gizmodo](#)
 - [engadget](#)

GLSL Parser in Haxe

Mar 2015 - Present

GLSL, Haxe, JavaScript, C, Context Free Grammars, LALR

Work in Progress

- The aim of this project is to provide a cross-platform GLSL parser (and parser generator) that supports the GLSL reference language grammar.
- The motivation for the development was to enable compile-time transformations (such as minification or transpilation) of GLSL source, as well as tighter integration with the host codebase when working with the Haxe compiler.
- The project can be accessed and tested on github github.com/haxiomic/haxe-glsl-parser.

EDUCATION

University of Sheffield

B.Sc in Physics with Astrophysics ◊ *First Class*

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Programming Languages	JavaScript, GLSL, C++, C, Objective-C, Haxe, Bash
Technologies & APIs	HMTL5, WebGL, Git
Platforms	Android, iOS, OS X, Linux
Skills	UI & UX design, Reverse Engineering

AWARDS

Best Developer, AMEE Medical Education Hackathon

September 2015

WebGL, three.js, JavaScript, HTML, SCSS

Best Science App, Google Campus EdTech Weekend

October 2012

Haxe, JavaScript, iOS