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Profile

I am a recently graduated Master's student, who has loved games since I was little and has aspired to work on making them for almost as long. As a student developer, I have had experience in most facets of programming for games, all of them mostly self-taught, but my main interests are gameplay programming and graphics.

EDUCATION

M.Sc. in Computer Science and Engineering

Instituto Superior Técnico Lisbon, Portugal 2021 - 2023 Specialization in Games Specialization in Artificial Intelligence

Cambridge English Level 3 Certificate

Level C2 certification ref. 196PT0088039 2019

B.Sc. in Computer Science and Engineering

Instituto Superior Técnico Lisbon, Portugal 2018 - 2021

EXPERIENCE

GameDev Técnico

https://gamedev.tecnico.ulisboa.pt/

Programmer

2022-2024 Coordinator & Community Manager 2023-2024

Portuguese student association with the purpose of developing games, both in game jams and longer term internal projects. As a coordinator:

- Oversaw the selection, recruitment and on-boarding of over one hundred new members;
- Organized social events;
- Ensured the smooth running of operations and an ongoing healthy and inclusive environment.

INESC

HumaneAI Researcher

Nov 2023-Feb 2024

Academic research project on the application of autonomous agents for non-verbal communication.

LANGUAGES

Portuguese $C2^*$ NativeEnglish

*Using CEFR rating for language proficency.

C++C# GDScript HLSL GLSL \mathbf{C} Java Python JavaScript

SKILLS

Game Engines

Unity Godot

Tools & APIs

git workflows OpenGL pytorch

PROJECTS

CUBOS. Programmer	Open source C++ ECS game engine based on voxels. My involvement was mostly developing editor tools and renderer functionalities.	⊞	2022 - ongoing Gamedev Técnico
	• github.com/GameDevTecnico/cubos		
Our Will Lead Programmer	Turn Based RPG mixed with visual novel. My work on this project was the implementation of the turn based combat elements, and most of the surrounding gameplay functionality. Made in Unity.	⊞ ♥	2022 - 2024 Gamedev Técnico
	• antunes10.itch.io/our-will		
Sunken	Yet unreleased Hack and Slash Rogue Lite. I pitched and led this	#	2022 - ongoing
Project Lead	project, managing a team of seven other members, and had a smaller	•	Gamedev Técnico
Gameplay Programmer	role in programming it. Made in Godot.		

GAME JAMS

The Veritable Feline Effort to Rescue The Fireman	Cat Stacking Game. On this game I worked on everything except the cats themselves. From the initial cutscene, to scene transitions, to the dragging and dropping mechanic. This game had a silly aesthetic, and we were quick to build it, which allowed us to explore paths of development that we do not often see in short jams, such as custom hand drawn fonts, or a pause button for the player to take screenshots of their falling tower of cats.	
GMTK Jam 2023. Made in Unity.	ainqui.itch.io/veritable-feline-efforts	
Fluffy Fishy Felines	Tower Defense Game. As the most experienced programmer on the team, I worked on almost everything, from enemy path and behaviour, to the UI and the scripting of the tutorial.	
Christmas Jam 2023. Made in Unity.	% ainqui.itch.io/fluffy-fishy-felines	
Celes	2D Puzzle Platformer. My work on this game was mainly level design, defining each level and their progression, and building them in engine. I programmed the shaders that create the "inverse world" effect that is core to the game, in addition to some level elements.	
Coffee'n Jam 2023. Made in Godot.	& ainqui.itch.io/celes	

These are only the jams in which I had the role of team leader. Here can be found the rest of my jam