Faizan Qaiser

Software Engineer

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Summary

Game Developer with over 4 years of experience in **Unity Engine** and **Engine Level Systems Programming**. Led prototyping projects from the start to completion as a mentor and project manager with tight deadlines. Published titles with **Lion Studios** in Casual, Puzzle, Open-World and Shooting genres. Created **studio level tools** and systems to boost productivity and solve technical problems. Expertise in implementing new features into existing codebases and optimising for performance. I Have an in-depth understanding of the underlying systems present in a game engine.

Skills

- C++, C#, Java
- Unity3D, Unreal 4
- Performance Optimisation
- Profiler, Frame Debugger
- Engine Development
- OpenGL, HLSL
- Embedding Scripted Language
- Physics Simulation

- Team Leadership
- Agile Development
- Git, Rider, Visual Studio
- Android, iOS, WebGL, PC

Professional Experience

Software Engineer at Mindstorm Studios

Lahore PK - July 2024 | Present

- **Software Engineer:** Developed core in-house codebases that are used in production settings on a large scale. Suggested tooling workflows and developed them to increase productivity and cohesion in the team. Took lead on R&D for novel or uncertain gameplay systems when the team was exploring something for the first time.
- Game Prototyping: Launched multiple titles from scratch overseeing gameplay mechanics, performance, app stability, user engagement and retention. Experiment with different themes, difficulty curves and mechanics to gain key insights.
- **Leadership:** Managed a team of developers for each prototype ranging from juniors to seniors. Conducted code/pull-request reviews, provided mentorship and maintained a standard with code architecture and practices. Took complete responsibility for delivering the product on time.

Software Developer at <u>Dastaan Studios</u>,

Lahore PK - July 2022 | April 2024

- **Unity Engine, C#, Java:** Developed a live wallpaper application on Android with visual effects support which responded to touch (Google & Facebook sign in).
- **Photon Fusion, HurricaneVR:** Worked on developing a multiplayer virtual reality game with deterministic physics synchronized for all clients (Photon Fusion, Hurricane VR).
- Procedural Generation, Unity: Developed a 3D endless runner which was procedurally generated.
- **Simulation**, **Unity**: Designed an educational app which simulated plant growth with realistic water/nutrients/sunlight intake.

Game Engine C++ (Independent) Github

- Game Engine: Created from scratch in C++ with Windows and Mac platform support.
- Asset Management: Serializing/Deserializing assets from disk, managing memory and lifetime.
- **Prefab System:** Scene and Prefab file types that contain a blueprint for entity creation. Blueprints can have references, property overrides, nested blueprints etc.
- C# Scriptina: Embedded mono scriptina with Unity-like API for the user.
- **Physics:** Physics engine for primitive types with collision callbacks in scripts.
- Rendering Layer: Using SDL2 for rendering, audio, fonts, and input (to be replaced with custom modules).
- **Build System:** Using Cmake and batch/bash files to automatically compile and build the entire project for either visual studio or xcode.

Other Experience

Fiverr (Profile)

- Made an asteroid visual effect shader. Github (2024)
- Made an airplane controller. derekclearwater rated 5 stars. Github (2024)
- Made an army system for a strategy game. stylo019 rated 5 stars. (2022)
- Made an electricity shader for a character. (2022)

Unity Games

- Faller is my indie game which features a smooth player controller with satisfying visual effects and my own game audio/music. Play Faller (2022)
- Monkey Box is my indie game with extremely smooth and satisfying game mechanics and user feedback. <u>Play Monkey Box</u> (2022)
- I took part in the Global Game Jam 2024 along with 4 other team members and we submitted this game Modern
 Day Llama.
- My submission in the Mindstorm Winter Game Jam secured a place in the top ten. <u>See Submission</u> (2022)

Soft Skills

- FAST NUCES Lahore Music Society President (2022)
- FAST NUCES Lahore Table Tennis Team Captain (2022)
- BeaconHouse College Campus Gulberg Music Society Vice President (2016)
- BeaconHouse College Campus Gulberg Table Tennis Team Captain (2017)

Education

BeaconHouse College Campus Gulberg A Levels (2016-1018)

- Further Mathematics
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Chemistry

FAST NUCES Lahore Pakistan, Bachelors in Computer Science (2018-2022)

(OnSite Pakistan) (Remote) (Open to relocate)