Logan Harvell

Game Programmer

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Technical Skills

Languages: C/C++, C#, Assembly, Lua, Bash Versioning: Perforce, Git

Engines: IDEs/Tools: Visual Studio, XCode, Jira Unreal Engine 4 (UE4), Unity

Experience

Studio Chili Orlando, Florida Dec. 2019 - Present

Keepers of the Trees, Lead Programmer

Created a local co-op puzzle platformer with a team of 21 people in UE4, releasing for PC in August 2020.

- Coordinated the programming team, while working with other leads to facilitate interdisciplinary collaboration.
- Designed a flexible co-op camera system in C++ with customizable follow behavior that is modifiable at runtime.

University of Central Florida

Orlando, Florida

Institute for Simulation and Training, Research Assistant

Dec. 2018 - Aug. 2019

- Built a plugin wrapping GDAL library functionality for reading geospatial data using C++ into UE4.
- Designed an Unreal editor tool for generating procedural meshes and dynamic materials from data embedded in GeoTIFF files that map to a database containing physically based material attributes.
- Designed a component that applies and manages a dynamic material to the owner's mesh that adjusts parameter values of the material, i.e. increasing emissivity to simulate heat absorbed over a time interval for infrared views.

Boy Scouts of America

Winter Park, Florida

Eagle Scout

Sept. 2014

Projects

C++ Game Engine Development

Jan. 2020 – Present

- Created linked list, vector, hash map, and various adapter containers modeled after STL counterparts.
- Designed a runtime data reflection system using a custom runtime type information class.
- Implemented a parser to support **data-driven** development with **JSON** as a configuration language.
- Recreated the battle mode of Super Bomberman in the engine and **OpenGL** with five other programmers.

FLETC Adaptive Training Sim

Jan. 2020 – Apr. 2020

An adaptive training simulator developed in UE4 where players drive a police vehicle to specified GPS locations while completing tasks with varying difficulty conditions that can be controlled over a TCP connection.

- Designed a waypoint system that uses node-based weighted graphs to represent city traffic networks.
- Implemented A* pathing in C++ to calculate routes using the waypoint system representing a car GPS system.

Bounce Off

Conceptualized and implemented a head-to-head, real-time competitive game written from scratch in **68K assembly**, running on the EASy68K emulator. Players use momentum-based movement to control balls that bounce off all surfaces, including each other, while they aim to be the first to pick-up randomly spawning points.

Astral Pathfinder Jan. 2018 – Sept. 2018

Created a real time strategy game inspired by the classic resource management game Hammurabi. Players explore and colonize planets and respond to random events while managing resources to maximize their population for a high score.

- Prototyped in C with **ncurses** as a text-based game, then re-invented GUI-based in C++ with **SDL2** frameworks.
- Built an interface to use **Lua** as a configuration language to support data-driven parameters.
- Implemented procedural planet map generation and population growth mechanics based on real-world models.
- Designed a generic collision component class with circle, axis aligned, and oriented box collision functions.

Education

University of Central Florida, Florida Interactive Entertainment Academy

M.S. Interactive Entertainment, 4.0 GPA

Aug. 2019 – expected Dec. 2020

University of Central Florida, College of Engineering and Computer Science

B.S. Computer Science, Cum Laude, 3.78 GPA

Aug. 2015 – Dec. 2018

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