

Samuel MARKS, PhD

MODUS OPERANDI

Split my life in three: family; medical charity; and business. The unrelated-to-medicine business funds the first two. Focus is on open-source scalable engineering. Recently awarded an in-kind **grant worth \$3.2M** for neural compute processor access from Google.

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CAREER CLIFF NOTES

- ◊ As a contractor working on unrelated sensor network metric aggregation, showed the largest communications company in Australia how to **save \$100M**;
- ◊ Given the entire top floor of the JP Morgan building to go from nothing to a full product in the Natural Language Processing (NLP) industry (all my subcontractors, including postdoctoral computational linguists)... with the backing of a billionaire family. Company **acquired by calendly**;
- ◊ Built a stock market analytics platform (for a high-net-worth individual);
- ◊ Created deduplication algorithms and databases for helping one large bank—who bought another large bank—to join customer profiles (for a Venture Capital fund, who then proceeded to **raise \$60M** off this);
- ◊ Engineered a distributed system for a blockchain company (my ‘stock’ in their company has since **gone up > 16000%**).

APPROACH

My goal is to develop open-source compilers, DevOps, and developer tooling in order to accelerate development, trivialise portability across platforms (OS; distribution; cloud), and facilitate onboarding of new engineers.

My current focus is engineering new compilers to [bidirectionally] translate OpenAPI ↔ numerous targets (including Rust, Swift, Kotlin Multiplatform, C, TypeScript, and Python) in order to speed up the development of multi-tier, multi-language applications (e.g., mobile apps; web frontends; REST API backends).

My recent work involved engineering new DevOps / GitOps / MLOps tooling where Docker is optional, with support for native Windows, Linux, macOS, SunOS, HP/UX, z/OS, iOS, and Android. This was written in shell (Bourne Shell, Bash, Windows Batch, Microsoft PowerShell), complemented by new package managers in C, Go, and Rust.

I am research driven, holding a PhD and a fellowship at Harvard. I am a top contributor to Keras, the 2nd most popular Machine Learning framework. I have made C++ contributions to both PyTorch and TensorFlow for optimising their vector allocations. I am a Google Developer Expert for Machine Learnin (ML/AI GDE).

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

I take pride in working at every level of the stack:

Stakeholders (users; customers; investors)					
Java (Android)	Swift (iOS)	Kotlin Multi-platform (Android, iOS, web, desktop)	Angular, HTML, SCSS (web)	SDKs (C, Rust, go, Python, TypeScript, Kotlin, JavaScript)	CLIs (cross-platform)
Rust (actix + diesel)	Python (Bottle; Flask; FastAPI)	(Node.js; Bun; Deno) with (TypeScript + ORMs + express restify)		go	C/C++
Build systems (CMake, Makefile, Fabric; clang, vcpkg)	Package management (incl. package authoring; and new package managers)		Multicloud (Apache Libcloud contrib. 30+ clouds incl. AWS, Google Cloud, VMware, ...)		Cross-platform deployment shell scripts
TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, MaxText (large-scale LLM training) contributions			Compilers to go from/to OpenAPI		

EXPERIENCE

Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary / Harvard Medical School. 2021+

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DIFFERENTIATOR

I build technologies to speed-up development, and futureproof software-engineering.

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OPEN SOURCE PROJECTS

- 800+ GitHub repositories, incl.:
- ◊ Compiler implementations in Rust, Python, C, Swift, Java, and Kotlin
 - ◊ OAuth2 server implementations in Rust, Python, and Node.js
 - ◊ New package managers in: go; Bourne Shell (/bin/sh); C; and Rust
 - ◊ Getting-started scaffolds in Angular, Python, Rust, Swift, Kotlin, Java
 - ◊ {CLI, SQL, GUI, SDK} [bidirectional] generation from/to Python SDKs, e.g., major machine-learning frameworks like Keras
 - ◊ Multicloud provisioning and deprovisioning toolchains, including new JSON wrappers in Python, a new Google Cloud C SDK, and a new WASM implementation
 - ◊ 1-click deployment + documentation system generation from my new shell script library; including porting Apache Libcloud to WASM (WebAssembly)

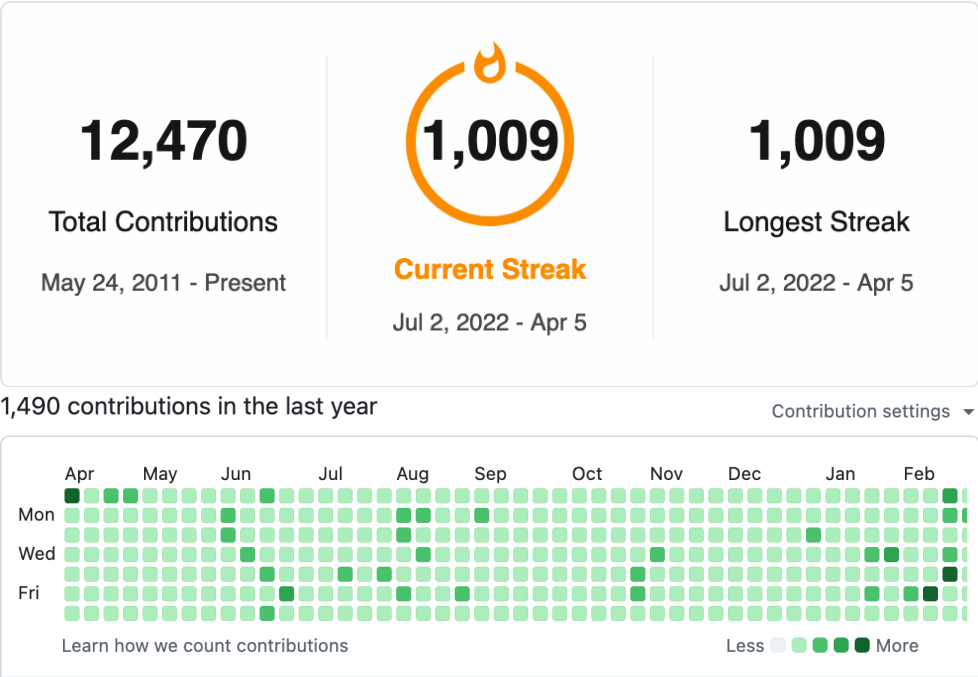
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- Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary / Harvard Medical School. **2021+**
- ◊ Collaborating with ophthalmologists on initiating new medical diagnostic screening programmes that are wholly charitable, open-source, patent-free, and AI-driven; and analysing & modelling from historical data in preparation.
- HEAD OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING at consultancy offscale.io **2015+**
- ◊ Consulting for various high-net-worth individuals, the odd venture capital firm, and any random project introduced word-of-mouth to me. Ranges from just me, to as many as 20 engineers.
 - ◊ Engineers open-source developer tools to speedup engineering of scalable software. Foci on: cross-platform, multi-ML, multicloud, and compilers to translate across codebases. github.com/offscale
 - ◊ NOTE: Firm purposefully avoids anything related to medicine to avoid actual—or perceived—conflicts of interest with charitable research.

EDUCATION

- FELLOWSHIP. Harvard Medical School. **2021+**
- DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD). University of Sydney. **2015–2020**
- BACHELOR OF SCIENCE. School of Computing. Macquarie U. **2010–2014**
- ◊ Covered a range of subjects supporting my passion for computer science.

OPEN-SOURCE



800+ repositories on GitHub, >300 of these original projects (not forks). Top-10 contributor to Google’s Keras (2nd-most popular ML framework; with 13 million downloads per month; as of Feb 2025). Maintainer of Google’s large-scale LLM training reference—that they test on >50,000 TPUs—https://github.com/AI-Hypercomputer/maxtext.