# Alberto Cortés

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## General Information

Languages Spanish (native)

English (fluent, equivalent to CEFR C2 or Proficiency CPE)

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ResearcherId http://www.researcherid.com/rid/L-5343-2014

LinkedIn https://www.linkedin.com/in/alcortesm

# Desired Employment and Skills

I am looking for a full remote job as a Go programmer writing distributed systems.

During my academic years, I developed keen critical thinking skills and a high understanding of the core, theoretical concepts of computation and networking; I feel comfortable working with the mathematics of sophisticated data structures and algorithms.

As part of my current career path as a developer, I have acquired the practical skills needed in a professional setting and focus on maintainability and keeping complexity under control.

# Computer Skills

Languages expert: Go (+5 years), bash. Intermediate/previously: Java, C, octave, LATEX, Node.js, C++, Python, Lua, Lisp, C#, SR, Prolog.

Tools and git (+internals), Docker, REST, telemetry (Prometheus, statsd, Grafana), Kubernetes, Technologies docker-compose, make, Bazel, AMQP (RabittMQ), SQS, CI/CD (CircleCI, Github Actions, Bamboo, Travis), cryptography (SSH, IAM, JWT, Auth0, PGP), Couchbase, Mongodb, InfluxDB, GraphQL, Clouds (AWS, GCP), Graph DB (Neo4j), PostgreSQL, Redis, pthreads, tcpdump, sockets, strace, valgrind, gdb, GnuPlot, gRPC, Protocol Buffers, MessagePack, ns2, Omnet++, troff.

OSs Linux (user-land and kernel). Plan9 (user-land and kernel), Windows XP, Symbian, Windows Mobile.

Protocols HTTP, TCP, IPv4, UDP. SCTP, POP3, IMAP, 802.11b/g, Ethernet...

## Experience

#### 2020-2021 Back-End Programmer, Couchbase, Remote, US, India, UK.

- $\circ$  Couchbase Cloud team: Full remote, team of  $\approx 30$  engineers, agile methodologies
- Main tasks: writing monitoring software for kubernetes clusters running Couchbase
- Personal focus: maintainability, testing and keeping tech debt under control

#### 2017-2020 Back-End Programmer, Senseye, Remote, UK, US.

- o Condition monitoring and predictive maintenance for factory assets
- $\circ$  Full remote, team of  $\approx 10$  back-end programmers, agile methodologies
- $\circ \approx 100$  services,  $\approx 2-8$  deploys to production per day
- Common tasks: adding new functionality and enabling the system to scale
- Personal focus: maintainability, testing and keeping tech debt under control

### 2015-2017 Back-End Programmer, source{d}, Madrid, Spain.

- Data processing pipeline for analysing git repositories
- Team of  $\approx 1-4$  programmers
- A Git internals re-implementation in Go (go-git)
- Abstract Syntax Trees generation and processing (bblfsh)
- Talks and blog posts:
  - Papers We Love Madrid meetup: Diff and Blame: an intuitive overview
  - Comparing Merkle trees: Comparing Git trees in Go

#### 2004-2015 Researcher and University Professor, UC3M, Madrid, Spain.

- Teaching programming, OSs, concurrency and transport layer network protocols
- Experience writing technical documentation, presentations and public speaking
- Research projects: Measuring computational performance of mobile devices, Optimizing battery consumption of network protocols, Improving multihoming network protocols for streaming, Improving indoor localization techniques.

## Education

#### 2008-2012 Ph.D. Telematics Engineering (Cum Laude), UC3M, Madrid, Spain.

My thesis (in Spanish); main contributions: An SCTP modification to improve handovers, a synthetic filesystem for the Linux kernel to improve multihoming support and a theorem for optimizing probe scheduling for the detection of uniform random events.

2005-2007 M.Sc. Telematics Engineering, UC3M, Madrid, Spain.

1995-2004 **B.Sc. Telecommunications Engineering (with Honours)**, *UC3M*, Madrid, Spain.

#### Interests and Hobbies

The Go board game (囲碁, 11kyu), free climbing, mini painting, Rubik's cubes, hacking, Science Fiction books, juggling.