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## Education

**Applied Mathematical and Physical Sciences**, *National Technical University of Athens*.

## Working experience

May – August 2014 **Google Summer of Code**, *Enhancing IsItFedoraRuby, a Ruby on Rails application that keeps track of the Ruby integration in Fedora*, Received certificate of completion.

- The development stack consisted mostly of ruby, html, css, js and in particular:
  - Ruby on Rails
  - Haml
  - Rspec
  - Capybara
  - FactoryGirl
  - Bootstrap
- During this period I got familiar with agile development, and techniques like Test Driven Development and Continuous Integration.

October 2013 – April 2014 **IT Freelancer**, *Responsible for Joomla websites deployment and maintenance*.

June – September 2013 **Google Summer of Code**, *Packaging GitLab for Fedora*, Received certificate of completion.

- The involvement in the packaging process of a well-known GNU/Linux distribution like Fedora, helped me in various ways.
  - Working effectively with other packagers.
  - Better understanding of RPM and the tools used for packaging.
  - Familiarize and work with upstream to make the process of packaging easier.
  - Wrote comprehensive documentation on rubygem packaging.

May 2014 – Present **Greek Free / Open Source Software Society**, *Mentoring and helping the participants with the various presented technologies*, Weekly seminars organized by the [Technological Educational Institute of Athens](#).

- Seminars:
  - [MOOCs & contributing to the EdX platform](#)
  - [Building the Internet of Things with Arduino II](#)
  - [Systems of e-learning & e-evaluation](#)
  - [Building the Internet of Things with Arduino](#)
  - [Application development for mobile devices of Openeclass](#)
  - [Repositories and Open Educational Resources](#)
- Technologies used:
  - Git, GitHub
  - GNU/Linux basics
  - PHP, HTML, CSS, Javascript/jQuery, Python, Django
  - Arduino, OpenWRT, Embedded systems
  - Phonegap

## Certifications

Coursera 2012 - [Learn to program the Fundamentals \(Intro to Python\)](#) Final grade: 97.8%

EDX 2014 - [LFS101x Introduction to Linux](#) Final grade: 100%

EDX 2014 - [CS169.1x Engineering Software as a Service \(Intro to Ruby on Rails\)](#) Final grade: 84%

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## Activities

- GitLab Upstream contributor, member of the [Community core-team](#) - [GitLab recipes lead](#).
- Fedora Approved official [packager](#) since 2013. Packaging and maintaining several open source applications/modules/libraries (mostly rubygems) for the official repositories. Member of the [Ruby-SIG](#). Moderator at [ask.fedoraproject.org](#).
- DigitalOcean Technical writing - [user profile](#).
- Archlinux User since 2007. Packaging and maintaining several open source applications/modules/libraries for an [unofficial repository](#) of the Greek Archlinux community as well as the [Archlinux User Repository](#).
- GRNET Archlinux packaging of the [snf-img-creator](#) application.
- Mozilla Contributor to the localization of Mozilla's knowledgebase, participating at the FirefoxOS [Tablet Contribution Program](#).
- Localization Contributor to several open source projects. Profile on [transifex.com](#).
- Foss Ntua Administrative member of the [Free and Open Source community of the National Technical University of Athens](#). Organized and participated in many seminars/workshops.
- Our infrastructure consists of many services, among others: Discourse, GitLab, MediaWiki, Mail server (postfix/dovecot), DNS server (bind), Networking (iptables).
- Technical book reviews Visit my [goodreads profile](#).

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## Technical Experience

- Languages Ruby, Python, Javascript,  $\text{\LaTeX}$
- Frameworks & Libraries Ruby on Rails, Rspec, jQuery, SASS
- Development tools Git, Vim, GitHub, GitLab
- System Administration GNU/Linux, Shell scripting, Networking, Apache, Nginx, Unicorn, MySQL, PostgreSQL
- Virtualization & Ixc KVM, libvirt, Docker
- Configuration management Ansible

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## Languages

- Greek **Native speaker**
- English **Fluent**
- French **Basic**

*Proficiency in English, University of Michigan and Cambridge  
DELFI B1, Ministere Francais de L'Education Nationale*

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## Interests

- Cooking.
- Listening and/or playing music.
- Aikido, a japanese martial art.
- I like to travel and attend various conferences that endorse the open source movement. Some of them are:
  - (2015) FOSDEM - Free and Open Source Developers European Meeting (Brussels, Belgium)
  - (2014) FLOCK - Fedora Contributor Conference (Prague, Czech Republic)
  - (2014) FOSDEM - Free and Open Source Developers European Meeting (Brussels, Belgium)
  - (2013) Mozilla Summit - Mozilla's worldwide event (Santa Clara, USA)
  - (2013) Euruko - European Ruby Conference (Athens, Greece)
  - (2013) FOSDEM - Free and Open Source Developers European Meeting (Brussels, Belgium)
  - (2011) FOSDEM - Free and Open Source Developers European Meeting (Brussels, Belgium)