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CONTACT INFORMATION

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QUALIFICATIONS AND INTERESTS

Distributed systems, Erlang/OTP, Scala/Java, embedded systems, low power embedded, software development, scaling, databases, protocols, functional programming, low level programming, fault tolerance, network protocols, eventual consistency, software architecture, message queues

AVAILABILITY

• Geographic location is flexible, but there is preference for Stockholm, Sweden

EDUCATION

Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden

B.S., Computer Science, 2006-2010, specializing in software development

MS.S., Computer Science, 2002-2004, four semesters out of 9

Hersby gymnasium, Lidingö, Sweden

Upper secondary school, 1997-2000

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

TrueAccord, Stockholm, Sweden/San Francisco, US Remote work from Stockholm with periodic visits to San Francisco

Engineer

September 2014-

- Worked on the core infrastructure using Scala. Major contributions include: developing a scheduling service to contact debtors an the optimum time, a rule system to systematically deal with the compliance and regulations in debt collection, automatic dispute handling, components to throttle and ratelimit requests to external services.
- Numerous integrations and business features.

Self employed, Stockholm, Sweden

Consulting

August 2013-

 Designed, implemented and maintained a batch processing system using Zookeeper, Riak and Erlang/OTP. The system was built to scale and be able to handle terrabytes of data each day.

Kivra AB, Stockholm, Sweden

Engineer

March 2013 to September 2013

 Architecture, development and maintenance of the services that made up Kivra's system.

Klarna AB, Stockholm, Sweden

Engineer

March 2010 to January 2013

- Extended an existing transactional database (Mnesia) with features to allow parts of the data to be shared (read/written) in an eventual consistent manner. This involved writing a framework to allow easy transformation of keys/values between two very different databases with different availability requirements, adding vector clocks to an existing database schema and mechanisms to transport/sync data over RabbitMQ. The databases are the core of a business with a monthly revenue of 200 million USD
- Design and implementation of the alpha version of Klarna's checkout
- Experiments with automatic fraud detection

- Rewrote and replaced Klarna's old fraud checking system with a DSL accessible through a web GUI. This gave staff more freedom to express what they want and the possibility to change rules without involving developers
- Lots of minor features for the business such as integrating with new credit check agencies.

Posten AB, Stockholm, Sweden

Mailman

2001 to 2002 and 2004 to 2005

MEMBERSHIPS

Housing Cooperative, Bjornligan

2007-2010

Board of directors and responsible for the economy

EFF (Electronic Frontier Foundation)

2010-

SERVICE

Written several open-source projects (see github), including:

- Crontab implementation in Erlang
- Unique id generator in Erlang
- Various components for integrating with Apache ZooKeeper
- NNTP fetcher/assembler in Perl
- Socks 4/5 proxy in C++ (single thread using nonblocking IO)

SKILLS

Software development:

 Worked with Scrum, Kanban, Git, Subversion, test driven development, property based testing

Computer Programming:

- Excellent knowledge of Erlang/OTP and functional programming
- Good knowledge of Scala, Java, Ruby, C, C++, Perl
- Experience with JavaScript, Python, Haskell

Information/Internet Technology:

- Written my own TCP/IP stack running on a 8 bit microcontroller. From transport layer up to application layer (Ethernet, ARP, IP, ICMP, TCP, UDP). Implemented a simple webserver and bittorrent tracker on top of it
- Written servers and or clients for FTP, HTTP 1.0/1.1, SMTP, DNS, POP3, Jxta, NNTP, Irc, BitTorrent and Socks 4/5 as well as other less known protocols.
- Done web development in PHP, Ruby on Rails, AngularJS, Perl, CGI

Operating Systems/Software:

- GNU/Linux user since 1996, experience with OpenBSD and Solaris
- Experience with Apache, PostgreSQL, Bind, Riak, Rails, Spring, JPA, Hibernate, RabbitMQ, ZooKeeper, HAProxy

Hardware/Embedded systems:

• Experience with PCB design and creation in CadSoft Eagle (2-sided), digital electronics, low power embedded systems, Microchip PIC 8 bit family

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

My current passion is rock-climbing, in particular sport-climbing and trad-climbing. Diving has also been a big interest in my life for the last 7 years and I enjoy all parts of it, from advanced cave-diving and deep-diving to educating new divers.

OTHER

I speak/write Swedish fluently and have some German skills. I have a drivers licence.