Brice Fernandes

I am a talented and versatile software engineer with a broad range of technical expertise, as well as entrepreneurial and leadership experience. I am looking for an engaging technical leadership or problem solving role that will leverage my broad experience and let me contribute to a culture of technical excellence and growth.

Contact Information

Languages

English, French (Native proficiency)

Spanish (Basic reading & listening comprehension)

Education

The University Of Sheffield BSc. Physics with Computer Science

2006 - 2010

Technical Skills

PROGRAMMING: Functional Programming, Python, Javascript (ES6, React, Redux, NodeJS, Babel), Scheme, Clojure, Jython, Java (OpenGL in Processing, GUI), Shell scripting (Bash), DVCS (Git, Mercurial), C, F#, C#, Unit Testing, Regular Expressions, Test Driven Development, RDF, Agile Methodologies (Scrum, Kanban, Pair Programming ...), Lean Software Development

ADMINISTRATION: Unix (GNU/Linux) administration, Docker, Apache, NGinx, Lighttpd, LAMP maintenance and administration, Virtualisation experience with VirtualBox and VMWare.

OTHER: AWS (S3, EB, IAM, EC2, CloudFront, Route53 ...), Game Development, Unity3D game engine, Firebase, Gulp, Natural language processing with NLTK, WxWidgets (Python), Numpy and Matplotlib (MATLAB equivalent), Python Imaging Library, Glib, GTK, Imagemagick, jQuery, SNMP, Analog and digital electronics: Basic filters, Digital Logic. HTML5, CSS, Less/Sass.

Talks & Presentations

Using and Abusing Ruby For Computer Science Great Good Code and slides (PDF) available.

March 2016

Building Objects With Functions

June 2015

An interactive version as well as a recording are available.

Getting Started With DataScript and Reagent

November 2014

Slides are available online.

Relevent Experience

Founder at Decacoder.com

October 2015 - January 2016

Founded an online education company delivering high quality online education to developers via a custom platform. I led the development of a scalable media delivery platform from scratch while also being responsible for all other business areas. I also set up a continuous integration and continuous deployment pipeline using AWS services, and was responsible for the educational design and user experience of all students using the platform.

KEYWORDS: Product development, Leadership, Javascript, ES6, React, Babel, Firebase, Continuous integration, Continuous deployment, AWS, Gulp, Stripe, Education, UX

Startup Mentor & Coach, Accelerate Cambridge

2013 - 2016

I was selected to be a founding coach and mentor for the University of Cambridge Judge Business School startup accelerator <u>Accelerate Cambridge</u>. I delivered a startup founder education curriculum and coached teams on product design, technology strategy, development process, team management, pitching for investment and clear communication. Several of the startups I mentored received prestigious awards, including winning the Duke of York's Pitch@Palace competition.

KEYWORDS: Startups, Coaching, Business modelling, Pitching, Leadership, Investment, Technology Strategy

Instructor & Coach, Ignite Program

July 2015

I was an instructor and coach for the University of Cambridge Judge Business School Ignite programme. The Ignite programme is a one week course aimed at transform existing early stage enterprises through high quality lectures and challenging workshops. I was responsible for leading workshops during the program, ensuring that each attendee adopted the knowledge shared into their business practice.

KEYWORDS: Startups, Education, Coaching, Leadership, Event facilitation, Business Modelling

Founder, Cambridge Programmer Study GroupJuly 2014 - December 2016
Founded the most active programming meetup in Cambridge, meeting twice a week to study computer science topics. Over two years we studied Machine Learning, Cryptography, Concurrency and Functional programming, amongst other topics.

KEYWORDS: Machine Learning, Functional Programming, Scheme, SICP, Neural Networks, Cryptography, Concurrency, Computer architecture, Compilers, Interpreters, Community building

Instructor, F# developer course

September 2015 - August 2016

Successfully kickstarted an online tutorial series on the F# programming language. Designed and delivered a curriculum that taught the real world applications the F# language and functional programming, including type-driven design.

KEYWORDS: F#, Functional Programming, Education, Screencasting, Kickstarter, Video production

Instructor, Unity3D Development Course

August 2014 - August 2015

Sucessfully kickstarted an online tutorial series on game development using the Unity3D game engine. Designed a curriculum to teach programming for game development in the C# language, including the fundamentals of computer science to a novice audience. The project was delivered over the Udemy.com online platform and reached over 100 000 students. The complete course was accredited for higher education credits and worth 10 European Credit Transfer System credits (\sim 10% of an undergraduate degree).

KEYWORDS: Education, Unity3D, C#, Game Development, Screencasting, Kickstarter, Video production

Organiser and Facilitator, Startup Weekend

2013 - 2016

I was an active organiser for the Cambridge Startup Weekend, organising and facilitating several weekend long events aimed at driving the entrepreneurship spirit in the attendees. Several teams from these events went on to form companies, including several still in operation today.

KEYWORDS: Event facilitation, Community building, Startups

Project lead, Processed

October 2013 - August 2014

Created a business process automation product with ideas from Flow Based Programming to automate common tasks in a business. Developed an SVG and Javascript online application to visually edit workflows, as well as embeddable widgets to place workflows on customer websites.

KEYWORDS: Business Automation, Business Intelligence, Javascript, SVG, Firebase

Software Engineer, Cambridge Broadband

March 2011 - October 2013

Developed and maintained a wide range of software to enable and support a microwave backhaul product at <u>Cambridge Broadband Ltd</u>. Worked on cross platform graphical user applications, embedded C network management using SNMP, internal tools and existing product maintenance. Was also part of a process improvement team that re-designed the software and product development process for the company. Took responsibility for technical recruitment of C developers, drafting requests for quotes and selecting and managing contractors.

KEYWORDS: C, PPC, Embedded, Python, Linux, GTK, SNMP, Process improvement, Agile, RFQ. Recruitment

Intern, Intelligent Systems Research Laboratory

Summer 2010

Developed a Flow Based Programming framework to support an anomaly detection subsystem for the Intelligent Systems Research Laboratory at the University of Reading. Embedded Jython, Groovy, and Javascript programming languages in the Flow Based Programming Framework to enable application developers to work in their language of choice.

KEYWORDS: Java, Groovy, Jython, Flow Based Programming, Embedded languages, JVM, Distributed computing, Machine Learning, Clustering, Anomaly detection

Intern, Organisations, Information and Knowledge Group

Summer 2009

I Worked as part of the Organisations, Information and Knowledge Group at the University of Sheffield building a term recognition system for engineering documents. I developed a semantic extraction component in Java using the NLTK library accessed in Jython. Also designed a domain ontology for aerospace engineering.

KEYWORDS: Java, Jython, Java Servlet, XML, RDF, Tomcat, NLTK

Developer, LEDCube

January 2009 - May 2009

Worked on a persistence of vision project. Developed a multithreaded application stack for custom hardware in a small team. OpenGL frontend written in Java communicating to microcontroller programmed in AVR C over custom serial protocol to control digital logic. I also manually optimised the Java implementation of the communication protocol from 900ms+ transmission latency to 112ms.

KEYWORDS: Java, AVR, C, Microcontroller, Multithreading, State Machine Protocols

Engineering Education Scheme

2004 - 2005

Worked in collaboration with Yorkshire Water to solve grit damage problem in sludge treatment plans. Designed and prototyped a solution as part of a team that became Young Engineers for Britain regional finalists. Earned BA Crest Gold Award.

KEYWORDS: Problem Solving, Teamwork, Drafting

Trainee CAD Engineer, AESSEAL head office

Summer 2004

Worked as trainee CAD engineer for international engineering company designing and modifying mechanical seals and 3D assets for corporate literature and website using 3D drafting software.

KEYWORDS: Drafting, 3D CAD, 2D CAD, Solid Egde

Awards

BA Crest Gold Award

Young engineers for Britain Regional Finalists 2005 Best Technical, Startup Weekend Edingburgh August 2012 Winner, Startup Weekend Sheffield July 2013

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