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PROFESSION EXPERIENCE

Professional Hortonworks, San Jose, CA

Systems Architect

November 2012 – Present

I am a Systems Architect in the consulting services organization at Hortonworks. I provide mentorship and guidance in operationalizing Hadoop and its ecosystem to solve business problems for our clients. I work with our clients to reduce risk and time to market by providing expertise in big data.

- Provide proof-of-concepts to reduce engineering churn
- Give extensive presentations about the Hadoop ecosystem, best practices, data architecture in Hadoop
- Provide mentorship and guidance to other architects to help them become independent
- Provide review and feedback for existing physical architecture, data architecture and individual code
- Debug and solve issues with Hadoop as on-the-ground subject matter expert. This could include everything from patching components to post-mortem analysis of errors.

Explorys, Cleveland, OH

Senior Engineer

January 2011 – November 2012

I was a "big data" architect and, prior to that, a senior software engineer on the platform team at Explorys. The team was responsible for the creation, care and maintenance of the high performance indexing infrastructure. My job required a deep understanding of the Hadoop ecosystem. I designed the next generation data architecture for the unstructured data at Explorys as well as writing, debugging, and analyzing the performance of many map reduce jobs to realize that architecture.

- Devised and lead the implementation of the next generation architecture for more efficient data ingestion and processing.
- Proficiency with mentoring and on-boarding new engineers who are not proficient in Hadoop and getting them up to speed quickly.
- Experience with being a technical lead of a team of engineers.
- Proficiency with modern natural language processing and general machine learning techniques and approaches
- Extensive experience with Hadoop and HBase, including multiple public presentations about these technologies.
- Experience with hands on data analysis and performing under pressure.
- Designed and wrote a layer on top of MapReduce to make the task of writing MapReduce jobs easier and more safe for Junior Engineers.
- Contributed much of the code in our open source project: http://github.com/ExplorysMedical/Apothecary

Game Communications, Mayfield Heights, OH

Senior Engineer

November 2009 – January 2011

Designed, implemented and integrated into legacy code a scalable network infrastructure layer for an instant message and VOIP network

- Created a software routing layer and implementing an ordered, reliable protocol on top of the raw network layer
- Integrated Cassandra as a distributed persistent metadata store to provide metadata resolution for network entities on the network
- Created low-level network libraries in C++ and C# to send messages across network
- Spearheaded institution of pair-programming and semi-agile practices

ION Geophysical, Houston, TX

Research Geophysicist

October 2008 - November 2009

Member of the time processing R&D team, tasked to design, prototype and implement production-ready algorithms to use applied math and signal processing to reduce noise in seismic data. This was a telecommuting position from Cleveland, OH.

- Implemented multithreaded C++ applied linear algebra library consisting of efficient STL-compliant data structures and algorithms to assist in signal processing
- Assisted in the design and implementation of an internal flow-based map-reduce system for doing distributed scientific computation
- Used Tokyo Cabinet to provide an on-disk index of seismic metadata in an efficient way
- Implemented a multidimensional least squares adaptive filter that decreased wall-clock time for our most common seismic task by an order of magnitude
- Developed a fixed-precision algorithm in C for the embedded PowerPC 405 platform which uses first-order statistics to differentiate noise from initial signal in an accurate, efficient and robust way
- Spearheaded institution of pair-programming and semi-agile practices in a geographically dispersed environment

Oracle, Cleveland, OH

Senior Member of Technical Staff

October 2005 – October 2008

Member of the Oracle Enterprise Repository team. We provided an enterprise J2EE application to organize and manage assets and their metadata.

- Worked as part of a geographically distributed team using agile practices
- Designed and implemented an enterprise build system around Maven, porting an existing heterogeneous build system from Ant and shell scripts to Maven
- Implemented multiple performance and scalability improvements, resulting in substantial benefits deriving from better caching strategies and algorithms with more favorable CPU/Memory complexity characteristics.
- Managed summer interns

CERTIFICATION Cloudera Certified Hadoop Developer

Cloudera Certified HBase Developer

August 2012 August 2012

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

Masters of Science in Mathematics

Spring 2005

- Emphasis in Computational Complexity and Theoretical Computer Science
- Advised by Dr. J. Maurice Rojas

University of Louisiana at Monroe, Monroe, LA

Bachelors of Science in Mathematics and Computer Science

Spring 2002

SELECTED

"Fast Map Reduce over HBase",

Publications, Strata/Hadoop World Apache HBase Meetup, NYC, Invited Talk

Patents & Talks

"New Complexity Thresholds for Sparse Real Polynomials",

Sixth International Joint Meeting of AMS and SMM, Invited Talk

"SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING AN EDITABLE LIFECYCLE EVENT DIS-

TRIBUTION LIST WITH A SERVICE METADATA REPOSITORY",

Patent Issued March 27, 2012, Patent number 8145680, Oracle Corporation

J. Maurice Rojas, Frederic Bihan, and Casey Stella

"Faster Real Feasibility via Circuit Discriminants",

In Proceedings of ISSAC 2009, pp. 39-46, ACM Press, 2009.

Honors and

Outstanding Teaching Assistant [2005]

AWARDS

National Science Foundation VIGRE Fellowship [2004]

AUF & Regents Fellowships for Oustanding Academic Achievement [2003]