

# David Pagurek van Mossel

University of Waterloo Software Engineering

## Work

Software Developer Intern, [Shopify](#), May-August 2015

- Developed Ruby scripts to transform and load sales data from sharded MySQL databases into central MySQL and Postgres databases on Amazon Web Services
- Introduced new language constructs in the Shopify Query Language parser allowing granular querying of data in Go and Ruby
- Awarded finalist in Shopify Hack Days with an iOS app version of the Shopify home feed in React Native

## Projects

[Axis](#), winner of Waterloo EngHack Winter 2015

A webapp for making digital flipbooks using keyframed animation

- Created a stickman with draggable joints to pose the puppet in Paper.js
- Developed algorithms to automatically interpolate frames between key poses for stickmen on the canvas
- Built a site in Perl and Mojolicious to share exported gifs and fork existing animations

[Chordi.co](#), made at PennApps XII, 2015

A webapp for using machine learning to procedurally generate music

- Algorithmically parsed MIDI note data into sequences of chords
- Loaded chords into a PyBrain neural network to learn patterns in chord progressions and generate songs when a Flask endpoint is requested
- Visualized songs in 3D using CSS to build cubes from transformed divs

[Pluto](#), 2015

A home automation system and control panel for the Raspberry Pi

- Engineered a mobile-first house control panel and remote using Node/Express and test-driven development practices
- Constructed music playlists based on who is in the house by having users tap an NFC tag on an Android phone to sign in or out

[XCalc](#), 2013-2014

A graphing calculator webapp and JavaScript algebra/calculus library

- Modelled a Computer Algebra System in JS as a binary expression tree
- Developed recursive algorithms to evaluate mathematical expressions and perform symbolic differentiation

## Leadership Experience

- Organizer, [Tech Retreat](#), a hackathon for high school students, 2015
- Organizer, [TerribleHack I and II](#), a hackathon for programming for its own sake rather than for a practical purpose, 2015
- Instructor, **Virtual Ventures Camp**, Faculty of Engineering, Carleton University, 2012-2013

## About

Programmer, web developer, digital artist, and Regular Expression enthusiast

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## Skills

- Demonstrated expertise with **HTML**, **(S)CSS**, and **JavaScript** (including **Node**, **Express**, **Underscore** and **JQuery**)
- Extensive experience with **Git**, **Ruby**, **C++**, **Scala**, **Perl**, **Python**, **Linux**, **SQL**, and **Apache**
- Passion for creative approaches to visual and algorithmic design problems
- Highly proficient with Adobe CS4+ for design and animation
- Enthusiastic, self-motivated learner and active team leader and contributor

## Awards

- University of Waterloo President's Scholarship, 2014
- Top 25% distinction on the Canadian Computing Competition, senior division, 2013 - 2014
- Jerry Dermer Memorial Prize in Engineering, 2014
- Ottawa-Carleton District School Board Silver Medal, 2010-2014