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Software Developer & Epistemologist

Curriculum Vitae

Open Source Projects

- ➔ [Has many polymorphic friends](#), a rails plugin based on the has many friends, but with added support for polymorphism.
- ➔ [The Ywapa Project](#), a certification authority management system for the security lab of UFSC. I've also helped in a limited way on other projects of [LabSec](#) like [libcryptosec](#)

Technical Skills

- ➔ **Programming Languages:** Java, scheme, C&C++, Ruby, Javascript, SQL, L^AT_EX
- ➔ **Testing Tools & Methodologies:** TDD, BDD, Rspec, agile management(SCRUM), agile engineering (XP). Incremental, iterative approach to development.
- ➔ **Development Tools:** Version Control(SVN, CVS, Git, Bzr), bug tracking(bugzilla, trac), debugging(GDB, valgrind), Building tools(make, rake)
- ➔ **Web&Designer stuff:** XHTML and CSS(with standards please), image manipulation(GIMP is cool), basic color theory and a good eye(I like to think so :D), XML, Qt Designer
- ➔ **Frameworks&Toolkits:** Rails, Qt, PLT Scheme (my learning focus for now)
- ➔ **OS:** Linux(Debian&Ubuntu, Suse)
- ➔ **Preferred development tool:** VIM, but I'm curious to learn Squeak too.

References

- ➔ [Lex Sisney](#), CEO of ELC technologies, my old boss.
- ➔ [Jose Eduardo de Lucca](#), Professor of UFSC, my thesis advisor. His [CV](#).
- ➔ [Ricardo Felipe Custodio](#), Professor of UFSC, and the chief of the security lab where I spent 2 of my college years. His [CV](#).

Professional Experience

- 2007 - 2008** ➔ Contractor for [ELC](#) a rails house developing a multitude of “web 2.0” services, from CMS to social networks.
- 2007** ➔ Contractor for [Ursa Minor](#) in a Dupont green site. I was an all around developer for the site, doing stuff from the UI(mostly AJAX) to the background and cart functionality .
- 2007** ➔ Developer for [AuctionPal](#) in their internal rails Auction Expert system. Mostly controller/model area of the MVC stack. Unfortunately the project was discontinued.
- 2005 - 2007** ➔ Software Developer/Interface Engineer for [LabSEC](#)(UFSC’s security lab) Helping to build a crypto library in C++ called [libcryptosec](#) to facilitate the development of cryptography applications(openSSL is a pain, so we built a shell around it).
- 2005 - 2007** ➔ Software Developer/Interface Engineer in [LabSEC](#)(UFSC’s security lab) developing a Digital Certificate Management System called [ywapa](#) for the national Certificate Authority of the brazilian federal government.
- 2004 - 2005** ➔ Developer for [Nexxera](#) using java to implement some web services for banking services (boring as hell)
- 2003 - 2004** ➔ Developer for [DbConsult](#) using VB (hey, it was my first gig)

Interests

Research

- ➔ **Law of accelerating returns:** All my research interests were in some way shaped by the vision of Ray Kurzweil about the possibilities of the future and his analysis of the exponential growth of technology and the impact of that growth on our societies and way of life. To get the felling, here is a nice introductory [video](#).
- ➔ **Nanotechnology:** I’m interested on the possibility of programmable materials on the nano scale, and their possible impact on everyday life. This interest was sparked by the works of Robert Freitas and his excellent Nanomedicine book and by K. Eric Drexler’s Engines of Creation, a pretty excellent book on it.
- ➔ **Technology&Education:** The works of Papert and his colleges at the MIT media lab inspired me to pursue ways to integrate constructionism with the Brazilian superior education. [Here](#) is a link for the article (it’s work in progress, so any review is appreciated). If you never heard of Papert, I urge you to check his book Mindstorms and take a look at some of [his lectures](#).
- ➔ **Brain/Machine Interface&AI:** Due to the contact with Papert’s philosophies and also Marvin Minsky’s book, The Society of the Mind, and watching professor [Nicolelis](#) speak.

Personal

- ➔ **JiuJitsu&Aikido:** Great ways to get in shape and to get in contact with you body intelligence.
- ➔ **Surf:** Another great sport, a way to restore some connection with nature.
- ➔ **Knowing new people and ideas:** It’s the best way to keep your mind fresh and your beliefs in check. Plus it’s a great way to broad the horizons of the mind.
- ➔ **Graphic Novels:** Very communicative medium to express deep ideas, plus I love comics :D
- ➔ **Documentaries:** Nice way to be informed and have some entertainment.

Formal Education & Articles

- 2002 – 2007**
- ➡ **College**, Information Systems and CS - [UFSC](#)
 - ➡ **Thesis article**: about using the Getting Real philosophy as a way to be more competitive in an increasingly competitive and integrated world.
 - ➡ **Constructionism and university**: an article about Seymour Papert's ideas and how could they could be applied to improve the superior educational system of Brazil.

Miscellaneous

- ➡ **Languages**: Portuguese, Fluent English, Basic Italian, Basic Spanish
- ➡ **Personal group**: [CNXS](#), a little development group that I've built with a couple of friends.
- ➡ **Conferences**: Attended and did a minor [talk](#) (there are subtitles in there) on the birds of a feather section of [Rails Summit Latin America 2008](#). The talk was about digital voting and how dangerous it is for democracy.