Sean Purcell

Summary of Qualifications

- Experience working with Python, C, C++, Java, ASM, JavaScript, HTML.
- Strong understanding of Linux internals, and server infrastructure management from work.
- Knowledge of concepts of and experience working with NoSQL and relational databases.
- Award-winning use and understanding of algorithms and data structures at the IPCP and the CCO.
- Adept at rapid prototyping and experimentation from hackathon experience.

Work Experience

2016 Software Engineering Intern, Wish - ContextLogic, San Francisco, CA.

May – Aug. Worked on the Wish infrastructure in Python improving stability, monitoring, and efficiency.

- Optimized most frequent endpoints, cutting latency by 60% and heavily reducing network usage.
- Redesigned and migrated billion-row data collection to reduce MongoDB load and improve efficiency.
- Build ORM black pipe testing framework to ensure correct network behaviour under stress.
- Developed exception monitoring platform, improving deployment safety and debugging efficacy.
- 2015 **Software Engineering Intern**, Sunnybrook Research Institute, Toronto, ON.

Jul. – Aug. Created, improved, and optimized software used in Medical Biophysics Research.

- Sped up differential equation-solving simulator by 50%, reducing research inefficiencies.
- Worked with C++, using OpenMP and MPI for parallelization.

Projects

2014–2015 ibchat/ibcrypt, ibchat.seanp.xyz

Built an end-to-end encrypted messaging program from scratch in POSIX C.

- Implemented algorithms such as AES, RSA, Diffie-Hellman, SHA256, CHACHA, and scrypt.
- Constructed custom network protocol for secure communication with perfect forward secrecy.
- 2016 **GR Trace**, iburinoc/gr trace

Created a real-time black hole ray-tracer using Rust and OpenGL.

- Traces photons in fragment shader using RK4 for stable integration of relativity metric.
- Uses Rust for window and context management, as well as dynamic GLSL creation based on options.
- 2015 AnonymEyes, Winning Team, Hack the North, anonymeyes.com

Built a location-based video streaming app for emergency response and evidence collection.

- Designed and implemented custom video stream from Android to receiving server over UDP.
- Built a web app showing streamed videos, interfacing the Google Maps API to show position.
- 2015 Flightsim, O iburinoc/flightsim, O iburinoc/flightsim-cardboard

Wrote a 3D flight simulator in C++, interfacing OpenGL directly for rendering.

- Ported to iOS for use as a VR app using Google Cardboard.
- Featured coherent random noise generation for varied infinite terrain.

Awards and Achievements

2015 3rd Place Team, ACM-ICPC, ECNA Regional, Windsor, ON.

International algorithm and data structure programming competition written by 130 collegiate teams.

2015 Gold Medalist, Canadian Computing Olympiad, CEMC, Waterloo, ON.

National algorithms programming contest written by over 3,500 secondary students.

Education

- 2015–2020 Candidate for Bachelor of Software Engineering, University of Waterloo.
 - 2014 Student in Compilers and Algorithms Courses, Stanford University.