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Change Log

2017/Dec/01 - Added links to the [Christopher Alexander](#) page.

2017/Jun/09 - Restarted the [blog](#) with the Pelican engine.

2017/Apr/06 - Added link to [my Mastodon account](#); deleted the identi.ca one.

2015/Oct/06 - Added [El cruce de la muerte en la salida de la UV](#).

2014/Aug/20 - Noted in the [bio for conferences](#) pages that I only speak at conferences that enforce a code of conduct.

2014/Apr/07 - Upgraded my [GPG public key](#).

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[Conferences](#)

[Bio/photo for conferences \(English\)](#)

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Conference

[2017 GUADEC](#) (Manchester, United Kingdom)

[2014 GUADEC](#) (Strasbourg, France)

Materials

[Replacing C library code with Rust: what I learned with libsvg \(PDF\)](#) ([ODP](#))

[GPG, SSH, and Identity for Beginners \(PDF\)](#) ([ODP](#))

2012 GUADEC (A Coruña, Spain)	Gnome and the Systems of Free Infrastructure (ODP)
2011 Desktop Summit (Berlin, Germany)	Software that has the Quality Without A Name (ODP)
2011 Campus Party (Ciudad de México)	Cómo reinventar la rueda y crear una economía (ODP)
2008 GUADEC (Istanbul, Turkey)	Document-centric GNOME (ODP)
2007 GUADEC (Birmingham, UK)	Eggs, wine, and sugar: making your application friendly to Sabayon (ODP)
2007 SISCTI 32 (Monterrey, México)	Tutorial de liberación de oprimidos y opresores (ODP)
2007 FOSDEM (Brussels, Belgium)	Profiling desktop applications (ODP / video , 270 MB Ogg Theora)
2006 GULEV (Cancún, México)	Se solicita taquero con ganas de trabajar (ODP)
2006 Encuentro Nacional de Linux y Software Libre (Puebla, México)	¿Qué vas a hacer cuando salgas de la Universidad? (ODP)
2006 GUADEC (Vilanova i la Geltrú, Spain)	Cómo perder la virginidad (o cómo escribir y mandar tu primer parche) (ODP) How much faster? (ODP)
2006 GULEV Free Software Conference Day (Xalapa, México)	Se solicita taquero con ganas de trabajar (ODP)
2006 Facultad de Estadística e Informática, Universidad Veracruzana	Hilo dental para programadores (ODP)
2005 GULEV (Coatzacoalcos, México)	10 años de software libre gráfico (ODP)
2005 GNOME Summit (Cambridge, USA)	Making GNOME Fast (ODP)
2004 GULEV (Veracruz, México)	Programación con gtk-sharp (Mono y GTK+) (sources) Cómo volverse hacker (sin morir en el intento) (SXI)
2004 Xalalinux (Xalapa, México)	!#\$@%! ¿Qué hice? (Control de versiones con CVS) (SXI)

2004 GUADEC (Kristiansand, Norway)	2004 Fashion Show (Starring: GTK+ and GNOME APIs) (MGP)
2004 Congreso Internacional de Software Libre (Medellín, Colombia)	Enanos, simios y otras alimañas: El Proyecto GNOME (SXI) Moda 2004 para programadores de GNOME (SXI)
2003 CONASOL (Talca, Chile)	Enanos, simios y otras alimañas: El Proyecto GNOME (MGP) GNOME-Canvas: Juguete para armar (MGP)
2003 CONSOL (Ciudad de México)	El modelo de dibujo en GTK+ 2.0 (MGP)
1999 Raleigh Barnes&Noble Bookstore	The GNOME Imaging Architecture (MGP)

Documents

Homesteading

- [Capturing rainwater](#) (español: [Captura de agua de lluvia](#))
- [Ferrocement: a brief, incomplete, and simple introduction](#) (español: [Ferrocemento: una introducción breve, incompleta y sencilla](#))
- [Lo importante son las ciudades — la teoría económica de Jane Jacobs](#)

Christopher Alexander's ideas and its derivations

- [Material about Christopher Alexander](#)
- [Material de Christopher Alexander](#) (español)

Urbanism

- [El cruce de la muerte en la salida de la UV](#)

Software

- [Software that has the Quality Without a Name](#)
- [Summer of Code Mentoring HOWTO \(Mar/2008\)](#)
- [World Domination as an Optimization Hack \(Report from the GNOME Deployments, July 2006\)](#)
- Integrating Existing Software with GNOME: Guide for Independent Software Vendors (Sep/2006)
 - [GNOME ISV Guide, HTML version](#)
 - [Wiki page for the guide's outline](#)

- [GNOME Programming Guidelines](#)
- [Using jhbuild on Novell Linux Desktop](#) (2005/Jun/16)
- [GNOME 1.0 Musings](#) (Nov/1998 - for sentimental value)
- [Articles on Git, a distributed version control system](#)
 - [Pushing and pulling with Git, part 1](#) (Nov/2008)
 - [Pushing and pulling with Git, part 2](#) (Dec/2008)
 - [Rpm2git — an easy way to publish distro patches](#) (Jul/2008)
 - [rpm2git screencast](#) (Aug/2008)
 - [How to use rpm2git](#) (Aug/2008)
 - [Why I want to have the children of `git rebase --interactive`](#) (Aug/2008)
 - [Git for GNOME developers](#) (Sep/2007)
- [Performance articles](#)
 - [Making GNOME Fast](#), presentation at the [GNOME Summit, Boston 2005](#) (Oct/2005)
 - [Profiling desktop applications](#), presentation at [FOSDEM 2007](#) (Feb/2007).
 - [Locating poll\(\) wakeups](#) (Sep/2006)
 - [Limiting your repaint rate](#) (Apr/2006)
 - [Footprint of non-shared dirty data from libraries](#) (Apr/2006)
 - [Improving our memory debugging infrastructure](#) (Apr/2006)
 - [Interpreting Sysprof results: Gedit's "replace all"](#) (Oct/2005)
 - [Profiling with Sysprof](#)
 - [Smaller footprint for images in Firefox, part 1](#) (Sep/2007)
 - [Smaller footprint for images in Firefox, part 2](#) (Sep/2007)
 - [Proposal to reduce the memory consumption of images in Mozilla](#) (Nov/2005)
 - [Compacting the GTK+ icon cache](#) (May/2007)
 1. [Introduction](#)
 2. [Where do icons live in the cache?](#)
 - [Improving login time](#)
 1. [Nautilus startup](#)
 2. [Nautilus, gnome-vfs-daemon, and bonobo-activation-server](#)
 3. [The desktop's menu bar?](#)
 4. [Gnome-session's clients](#)
 5. [A more detailed timeline for Nautilus](#)
 6. [No history for the Nautilus desktop](#)
 7. [Gnome-panel startup](#)
 8. [What does the panel do before launching its applets?](#)
 - [Nautilus](#) (Nov/2006)
 1. [SMB slowness and `is_local\(\)` roundtrips](#)
 - [Pango](#) (Oct/2005)

1. [Pango glyph lookups](#)
 2. [Pango gunichar->script and paired character mappings](#)
 3. [Quantifying the behavior of the glyph cache](#)
 4. [A global benchmark for Pango](#)
 5. [Different sizes for the gunichar -> glyph_index cache](#)
 6. [Optimizing CJK text rendering](#)
- o [GtkFileChooser \(Sep/Oct/2005\)](#)
1. [Initial measurements](#)
 2. [Superfluous widgets in OPEN mode](#)
 3. [Fixing OPEN mode](#)
 4. [Don't load folders unnecessarily](#)
 5. [Inside GtkTreeView](#)

Recipes

See also the [GNOME Cookbook Project!](#)

- [Tomato salad with garlic and cumin](#)
- [Fish in cilantro chutney](#)
- [Ratatouille](#)
- [Red salsa and enfrijoladas](#)
- [Baked fish with basil](#)
- [Broiled eggplant parcels](#)
- [Tian de courgettes et tomates](#)

Miscellaneous

- [Cómo configurar un ruteador Linksys y un modem 2Wire de Telmex Infnitum \(Ago/2009\)](#)
- [Unofficial Yamaha S80 Manual](#) (Jul/2002)

About me

I work writing [free software](#) for [SUSE](#), mainly on the infrastructure for the [GNOME Project](#), which I co-founded.

I live in Mexico with my lovely wife [Oralia Silva-Rueda](#). [She](#) took this nice [picture of me](#) near the bathrooms of the Tate Modern gallery in London back in 2003.

Here's a [little biography of myself](#), in Spanish, which I wrote in 2003 for the [Congreso Nacional de Software Libre](#) in Talca, Chile.

If you are looking for a short bio that you can put in conference materials, or if you want to

invite me to speat at a conference, [look here](#).

GPG Public Key

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