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WORK EXPERIENCE

CURRENT, FROM DECEMBER 2012

Data Engineer *Mind Candy*, London

- We provide shared services which capture data to provide insight and integration across all of our games. We build an eventing system which captures and analyses over 20 million events every day, and an A/B Testing system, which helps us to optimise the features of our games. We also build an identity system, allowing users to have a common identity across multiple products, platforms, authentication methods, and a notification system which allows the business to send notifications in bulk to specific cohorts across all of our systems. Almost all of our systems are built with Scala, and we are heavy users of Amazon AWS.
- I joined Mind Candy as an engineer on the Payments team, who are responsible for integrating Moshi Monsters with external Payment, Subscriptions, and Game Time Card providers. There are 100's of thousands of actively paying subscribers, which our systems manage.
- When I joined the Payments team, the system consisted of one collosal project which was proving to be a bottleneck.
 As new work came in we managed to slice the backend system into a few smaller, more cohesive, Scala projects and migrated our frontend on to a new company wide web platform which uses Node.js.

July 2010 - December 2012

Associate Software Engineer *Morgan Stanley*, London

- My role primairily focused on the development of a realtime bidding/analytics system, in which I conducted both middle-tier (Java/C++) development, and UI (C#/WPF, HTML5/Ext JS4) development.
- I joined through the intensive Morgan Stanley Technology Analyst Programme. We received comprehensive 15 week training on Unix, C++, Java, C#, relational database systems, web development, Perl and Python along with presentation skills, project management and other professional development training.
- I also undertook support development on systems/models written in a variety of languages (C++, Perl, Java, C#), to ensure our trading desks had all the tools needed to operate successfully.

Analyst Software Engineer *Morgan Stanley*, London

- On this internship I worked within the Securitised Products Group at Morgan Stanley, rewriting a legacy client-facing investor report web portal in ASP.NET/C#.
- I also worked on a House Price Information indexer written in Java, and provided the infrastructure surrounding a new County Court Judgement feed for use in analytical models.

EDUCATION

2010 Bachelor of Science

First Class with Honours Computer Science University of Durham.

2007 A Level

HISTORY: A, BIOLOGY: B, ICT: B Fallibroome High School

2005 GCSE

7 A's (INCL. ENGLISH, MATHS, DOUBLE SCIENCE), 3 B's. Fallibroome High School

AWARDS

2009 Scott Logic Award first prize
Univerity of Durham.

2008 Morgan Stanley prize for academic excellence Univerity of Durham.

2007 BCS prize for academic achievement University of Durham.

SKILLS



Scala, Java, Akka, Play C#, Python, JavaScript C++, HTML/CSS

Outside of the office

- I am an avid runner, having completed 3 full marathons and 8 half marathons.
- I teach programming at a local primary school on a voluntary basis (using Scratch and Python).
- I always have a personal programming or electronics project on the go, ask me about the latest!