

# Nicolas LAURENT

Software Engineer, PhD

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## Education & Experience

### Research & Development Engineer, Oracle Labs

Remote, from Belgium

December 2019 - Current

Working on the GraalVM project, and in particular the implementation of TruffleRuby.

### PhD in Computer Science

Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

February 2014 - October 2019

My thesis, "*Principled Stateful Parsing*" explores how adding custom code to parser specifications enables overcoming many practical challenges in the field, and how to mitigate the downsides.

Teaching assistant in "*Cloud Computing*", "*Project 4 in Computer Science*" (Android programming) and "*Programming Paradigms*".

### iOS Developer

Famest, Louvain-La-Neuve, Belgium

September 2013 - February 2014

I overhauled the Famest iPhone app in order to improve reliability and maintainably, and transitioned it towards iOS 7.

### Bachelor & Master in Computer Science

Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

September 2008 - September 2013

Grade: Magna Cum Laude

Double major in networking & security and software engineering.

Teaching assistant in "*Computer Science II*" (functional programming) and "*Computer Systems I*".

## Technologies

### Core

Java Kotlin C Ruby Javascript Git HTML & CSS

### Experienced

C# C++ Python Lua Bash SQL Build Systems: Make, CMake, Maven, ...

Of course, I'm willing and able to learn more!

## Publications

### Red Shift: Procedural Shift-Reduce Parsing

Nicolas Laurent

*ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Software Language Engineering (SLE) 2017; Vancouver, Canada*

### Taming Context-Sensitive Languages with Principled Stateful Parsing

Nicolas Laurent and Kim Mens

*ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Software Language Engineering (SLE) 2016; Amsterdam, The Netherlands*

### Parsing Expression Grammars Made Practical

Nicolas Laurent and Kim Mens

*ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Software Language Engineering (SLE) 2015; Pittsburg, USA*

### SDLoad: An Extensible Framework for SDN Workload Generation.

Nicolas Laurent, Stefano Vissichio and Marco Canini

*ACM SIGCOMM Workshop on Hot Topics in Software Defined Networking (HotSDN) 2014; Chicago, USA*

### A PEG-Based Macro System for Java

Nicolas Laurent

*Master Thesis*

## Spoken Languages

### French

Native Speaker

### English

Advanced Professional Proficiency (ILR-4+)

### Dutch

Limited Working Proficiency (ILR-2)