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Ruby on Rails software architect

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I build Web solutions that solves business problems in E-Commerce and Healthcare niches. For the years working as a freelancer, I've developed my own working ethic. Strongly self-motivated person.

There are 4 years of professional Rails development in my background. I spent this time creating web services, web application prototypes, online services working for international clients that usually are startups/fast-growing companies. In the same time I am continuously developing myself as a professional in web programming industry.

I'm a full-stack developer (RubyOnRails/Database design/jQuery/html/css/deploying).
Web scrapers creator (nokogiri, mechanize, watir).
I prefer projects where I can grow as a professional. When working in a team, I can't perform well without well-established communication process (Scrum works fine for that).

I'm looking for projects with strong believes in best practices to participate and to build good relationships.

What you can expect from me:
* Quality work (heavy testing, best practices, readable and maintainable code that "just works")
* Short response time (I prefer daily conference calls via skype)
* Good speaking English
* Responsibility for tasks/project I work on.
* Seamless integration with your current team

What would I expect from you:
* Clear task definition
* Easy communication
* Adequate and in-time payment

My favorite book is "What I Wish I Knew When I Was 20" - by Tina Seelig
Timezone: UTC+2

Ruby	Rails	OOP	Git	SCSS/CSS	JS/COFFEE	Rspec	Postgres	AngularJS	VIM

EDUCATION

Kharkiv National University 'V.N.Karazin'　　　　　September 2009 to June 2013

Bachelor of Science (BS)

Extensive theoretical + practical course on classic programming languages (C, C++, Java), microcontrollers programming with Assembler.
Networking course (TCP/IP stack, routing, http, hardware connection overview)
Legal base + technical mechanisms (both "hardware" and programmatial tools) for making information secure.
Theoretical (+ basic practical) course on parallel programming (MPI).

SKILS / KEYWORDS

MySQL, JavaScript, Nginx, Linux, PostgreSQL, Ruby on Rails, Ruby, Git, AngularJS, jQuery, Ubuntu, AJAX, CSS, REST, RSpec, Agile, HTML 5, MongoDB, Amazon Web Services (AWS), OOP, Sphinx, Github, Amazon EC2, Test Driven Development, Memcached, Node.js, Redis, Bash, HAML

LANGAGES

Russian (Native or bilingual proficiency), Ukrainian (Native or bilingual proficiency), English (Professional working proficiency)

Duolingo Proficiency Exam in English
Score: 6.0 / 10 (Advanced)
Advanced. Can fulfill most communication goals, even on unfamiliar topics. Can understand the main ideas of both concrete and abstract writing, and interact with native speakers fairly painlessly.
Earned 12/22/2014

Verified

SymbiosisHealth (https://www.symbiosishealth.com)   July 2013 to Jun 2014

Web Developer

SymbiosisHealth is a online startup that is aim to provide cheap and quality medical services to those who are on a high-deductible healthcare plan. This goal is achieved by introducing providers directly to clients through powerful search capabilities.

Working for a year, I and my team-mates developed all main features so currently project has been switched to maintenance mode.

I've developed most part of the Providers flow (from searching and signup form to providers wizard including integration with payment services, dynamic fees scheduling UI and so on).
Also fixed a huge bunch of bugs.
Developed several b2b landing pages.
Most active developer accordingly to the GitHub repository statistics.
My passion on this project was creating beautiful UI controls with angularJS (found for myself that this lib is really powerful).

eSolia Inc (http://rick.cogley.info)   July 2013 to Jun 2014

Blog developer

This project was initiated by eSolia's CEO, Rick Cogley. He was in need of re-building his personal blog (http://rick.cogley.info) from blogspot engine to Jekyll-based Octopress - static site generator. The project was successfully finished, thanks to Rick and to his outstanding co-operation skills.

"Paul did an exemplary job not only on those things, but really went the extra mile to adapt and apply a responsive HTML5 and CSS3 theme based on the famous and somewhat ubiquitous Twitter Bootstrap, to the site. Thank you Paul; I really appreciate your quality work, help and patience." - Rick Cogley
(form http://rick.cogley.info/articles/2013/02/12/site-re-launch-in-octopress/)

Bidsketch (http://www.bidsketch.com)   July 2013 to Jun 2014

Rails developer

Bug fixing, new features development.
Developed several CRM & Invoicing (Harvest, Freshbooks, Basecamp, Salesforce) integrations for the service.

SweetSpeeches, HeroesMedia LLC (http://www.sweetspeeches.com)   November 2011 to February 2012

Rails developer

Developed PimpinProfiles.com (https://www.pimpinprofiles.com/),
web scrapers for SweetSpeeches.com, migrating SweetSpeeches and KickinQuotes (http://kickinquotes.com/) to Amazon's AWS. Many UI tasks done.

Balslev Media

April, 2013 to May 4, 2013

Ruby web scraper developer

Ruby scraper project. Scraping several cars selling web sites. Saving all info to mysql db, keeping all relations between vehicle, seller, model, manufacturer, equipment, color etc.
Each site has it's profile in yml which contains description of all required fields, selectors, regexps, custom rewrite values etc.
Multithread downloading page fetching. Images downloading. Similar car advertisement detection on different sites and many more

Silver Spring, MD

Dec 07, 2011 to Jul 26, 2012

Ruby on Rails Developer

Developed a prototype of a SAAS feedbacking application

See other projects I worked for on my odesk profile page

Those are my personal projects that are available publically online or as source codes

SurveysKitchen

May, 2012 to Jun, 2013

online surveying software

SurveysKitchen is full-stack online surveying tool. This is my own project and is being developed mostly for fun.
It's based on Rails 3.2 + Mysql. Two languages localized (ru + en), but still there are some places where translation is missing.
Heavily used jQuery + jQueryUI (for survey builder). Several custom jquery plugins developed (whole app js is written in coffeescript).
Deployed with capistrano + Git to Rackspace's VPS based on Ubuntu.

CommonTime

Dec 2015

a tool aimed to simplify finding common working hours for different timezones

Single page application built with RaphaelJS that visualizes time overlap in different timezones.
commontime.info
https://github.com/pashka4281/common_time

David Portnoy   June 16, 2014

CTO @ Symbiosis Health

Paul has been an ambitious contributor to the creation of our new product and has put in many hours toiling at tough technical challenges. As a result, he's both made great contributions to building the product and has himself grown professionally. On many occasions, when Paul encountered previously unfamiliar technologies, such as Angular.js and APIs for payment processors, he eagerly took on the challenge and quickly became proficient.
Many hard core developers I know are reluctant to touch the front end.
But not Paul. He fearlessly dove into our challenges with a fully responsive UI/UX.
There were times when our project lacked a standalone front end developer and Paul bailed us out.
He's certainly earned the right to be labeled a strong full-stack developer. I hope to continue working with Paul in the future.

Seth Siegler   May, 2014

Robot Workshop

Excellent rails dev with great communication and creativity. Highly recommended!

Ruben Gamez   May 4, 2013

Founder, Bidsketch

Paul is an excellent Rails developer who did a lot to help improve the quality of the code while working at Bidsketch.

Rick Cogley   April 21, 2013

CEO eSolia Inc

When relaunching my profile site, I hired Paul Serous to coach me in learning git and the other technologies I need to know, and, to do the heavy ruby programming that I have no time or need to learn. He did an exemplary job not only on the requested programming activities, but going the extra mile to get a responsive HTML5 and CSS3 theme based on Twitter Bootstrap, up and running on this site. I really appreciate his quality work, help and moreover, patience.

Kareem Grant   July, 2012

Silver Spring Labs

Paul once again did a great job. I've worked with him for a while now and he is a excellent problem solver and is extremely reliable. Paul is an awesome developer and I look forward to working with him again.

Jereme Axelrod   Nov 2011

Satellite Films

Pavlo has been phenomenal. He is a very talented developer with a great work ethic. I look forward to continuing to work with him long into the future...