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Experience

2012

Cloud Native Tech Evangelist, Camptocamp, Chambéry then Lausanne.

− Puppet & Cloud

When I joined Camptocamp, the instructure team's activity focused on managing 500+ servers on behalf of clients, using mainly **Puppet**, **OpenVZ**, and **Amazon Web Services**.

- Partnerships & Training

In order to leverage our team's renowned expertise in Puppet, I set up a **strategic partnership** with Puppet Labs and started teaching the official Puppet curriculum. This required me to be certified by both the **Puppet Professional** and **Puppet Developer** certifications. I also wrote our own curriculum based on **Foreman** for clients using Open Source Puppet, as well as an **Augeas** curriculum. Since then, I have been a **trainer** to many engineers at major banks, universities (EPFL, Unibe), research facilities (CERN, CNRS), and many more.

- Open Source Work

As our team managed tens of public open-sourced Puppet modules on **GitHub**, I strived to improve their quality by implementing industry standards, **unit and acceptance tests**, publishing them on the Puppet forge, and getting them approved by Puppet Labs as standard implementations. I also managed the **Augeasproviders** project and maintained the Puppet modules associated with it. My Puppet expertise led to many **consulting** missions, ranging from architecture to migration, as well as specific **Ruby** development, and earned me a recognition as **Puppet Champion of the year 2020**, with a title of **Extraordinary Puppeteer**.

Terraform

With our use of public clouds broadening, we switched our provisioning from **Cloud Formation** to **Terraform** and contributed multiple providers and modules to the community. I also authored **Terraboard**, a web UI to visualize Terraform state information, programmed in **Go** and **AngularJS**.

Containers & Orchestration

Around 2014, we moved our Puppet acceptance tests from **Vagrant** to **Docker**. We quickly realized Docker's potential, and decided to implement our Puppet 4 stack on top of it, in order to simplify its architecture. Starting with Docker-Compose, we switched to **Rancher** in 2015 to scale the infrastructure horizontally, and became the **first Rancher partner in Europe**. Around that time, we wrote multiple tools to improve containers management, in particular **Bivac**, a tool to automate container volumes backup. Finally, we migrated the Puppet stack to **OpenShift** around 2018.

Kubernetes expertise has since become our main activity. I have co-authored a 5-day containers curriculum covering both Docker and Kubernetes and taught it multiple times. In the meanwhile, I have contributed to getting Camptocamp set up as one of the first **Kubernetes Certified Service Provider** (KCSP) in Switzerland and the first **Kubernetes Training Partner** (KTP) in Europe.

In that context, I have completed the **OpenShift Administration**, **CKAD**, **CKA**, and **CKS** certification programs.

- Sales & Marketing

As an expert in Configuration Management, Cloud, and Containers Orchestration, I have often supported our **sales** force and contributed to multiple **tenders**. My attachment to Camptocamp's image and values has also encouraged me to improve **marketing** (through market studies, newsletters, blog posts, videos, white papers, designing illustrations, totems & goodies). I have represented Camptocamp at many **conferences and meetups** (both physical and online) on various subjects (Puppet and its ecosystem, Cloud, DevOps, etc.).

2006

Systems Engineer, ORNESS then Alten, Sophia Antipolis.

Consultant at France Télécom

- Cfengine

I was originally hired to migrate about 3000 machines from **Cfengine** 1 to Cfengine 2. This was an opportunity for me to learn about **Configuration Management** principles and to discover **Puppet** along the way.

- Package build farm & repository

Migration to Cfengine 2 was an opportunity to standardize software packages used. I set up a new automated Debian package repository using **reprepro** and a **Debian buildd** farm to compile the packages for multiple distributions and architectures. Both i386 and amd64 builders ran on a single machine, using **LXC** containers as light virtualization to isolate contexts.

I encouraged developers to package their applications and helped them set up **CI/CD** pipelines using **Hudson** (now **Jenkins**) to automatically release their packages to the repository, using **GnuPG** keys as the authentication layer.

In order to encourage good practices, I taught multiple sessions of a **Debian packaging curriculum** to colleagues.

Gforge

I administered a Gforge platform for hundreds of developers. As part of this task, I set up a replicated fallback server and wrote a CVS replication software using **Perl** and **inotify**.

Policy Conformity

In order to improve comformity to standards as we adopted ITIL processes, I designed a **Treetester**, a Perl software working as a sieve of tests to identify priority actions to take on machines and platforms and report to platform administrators in a Web UI.

2008

Developer, *Augeas*, Internet.

Development, bugfix and documentation

- Writing of Augeas lenses;
- Coding in C;
- Improvement of autotools configuration;
- NaturalDocs Integration (documentation generator);
- International Conference Speaker (Belgium (FOSDEM)).

2005

Developer/Maintainer, *Ubuntu*, Internet.

Development, bugfix and documentation

- Creation, maintenance and review of software packages;
- Writing of technical documentation for developers;
- Maintenance of the QA system for software package;
- Bug management;
- International Conference Speaker (Hungary, Germany (LinuxTag)).

2005

Open-Source Contributor, *Various projects*, Internet.

- CPAN Author: maintainer of several Perl modules on CPAN;
- CTAN Author: maintainer of several LTEX packages on CTAN.

Other Experience

2009

Translator and Editor, La Colombe Calvary, Nice.

- Translation of English theology books into French;
- Edition of books using LaTeX, XaTeX and LuaTeX;
- Publishing of books using on-demand publishing services (CreateSpace and Lulu).

	Education	
2012		
	Puppet Trainer , <i>PuppetLabs</i> , Amsterdam. Official Training Partner for PuppetLabs' courses (Puppet F Puppet with Ruby)	undamentals, Puppet Advanced, Extending
2009	ITIL® v3 Foundation, <i>EXIN</i> , Sophia Antipolis. Organization and efficiency of the Information System	
2005	Student in Business Creation and Management , <i>Cré</i> Accounting, Management, Marketing, Law	afort, Poitiers.
	Student in Pedagogy ('Gestion Mentale') , <i>IFGM</i> , Bor Pedagogy, Didacticism, Cognitive Psychology	deaux.
2003–2005	Student in Mechanical Engineering , École Nationale Supérieure de Mécanique et d'Aérotecht Solid & Fluid Mechanics, Mathematics, Combusion & P Signal Processing, Computer Sciences, Management	-
2004	Licence, equivalent of a British Bsc, in Mechanics , <i>Université de Poitiers</i> , Poitiers. Solid & Fluid Mechanics, Mathematics, Combusion & Propulsion, Materials Science, Automation, Signal Processing, Computer Sciences, Management	
2002–2003	Student in Chemistry , <i>Université de Paris XI</i> , Orsay. Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics	
	Certifications	
Certified Kubernetes Security Specialist (CKS), CNCF, LF-xpar0qezpj. Kubernetes		
Certified Kubernetes Application Developer (CKAD), CNCF, LF-gikljn6k0e. Kubernetes		
2019	Red Hat Certified Specialist in OpenShift Administration OpenShift	ration, Red Hat, 190-035-931.
2018	Certified Kubernetes Administrator (CKA) , <i>CNCF</i> , Kubernetes	LF-vqymlq6gyo.
2013	Puppet Certified Developer, PuppetLabs, PCD0000011. Puppet IT automation software	
2013	Puppet Certified Professional , <i>PuppetLabs</i> , PCP0000116. Puppet IT automation software	
2009	ITIL® v3 Foundation Examination, EXIN055512. Organization and efficiency of the Information System	
	Foreign Languages	
French	Native	Mother Tongue
English		Daily practice, conferences given in English
-	Good Level	Occasional practice
German	Good Level	Studied 9 years in school
	Personal interests	

Music Clarinet, guitar, piano, organ, saxophone

Sports Hiking, sailing, golf, climbing

Others Genealogy, reading