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WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer, Beeper — Automattic — Remote

April 2024 - Present

- Saved ~2TB of RAM by rewriting the Telegram to Matrix bridge from Python to Go.
- Implemented the cryptographic key infrastructure necessary for message key backups and interactive device verification in mautrix-go by utilizing the standard Go cryptography libraries.
- Implemented media upload/download and interactive device verification in the Beeper client SDK written in **Go** which is being used in the next generation Beeper clients.

Software Engineer — Beeper (acquired by Automattic) — Remote

July 2021 - April 2024

- Scaled our backend infrastructure from handling <1,000 users to >100,000 users by **sharding** traffic from high-volume bridges to a separate **Go** service called *Hungryserv* in a backwards-compatible, transparent manner. I created the initial proof of concept and then continued as a core member of the 3-member team that productionized the project over a four-month period.
- Reverse-engineered and implemented features for *Beeper Mini* (iMessage on Android) including media, tapbacks, typing indicators, read receipts, edits, unsends, link previews, and chat metadata changes.
- Measured message send **latency and reliability** by instrumenting bridge **metrics**. Built a Dockerized **Go** service to process those metrics and send them to BigQuery.
- Reverse-engineered the LinkedIn Messaging API and implemented a LinkedIn to Matrix bridge in Python.
- Designed a framework for importing users' chat history, and implemented it in the WhatsApp, Facebook, Instagram, and Telegram bridges.

Adjunct Professor — Colorado School of Mines — Golden, CO

Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2024

- Algorithms $(4\times)$ advanced data structures, graph algorithms, dynamic programming, NP-completeness
- Principles of Programming Languages $(4\times)$ functional programming, parsers, language implementation
- Computer Organization (1 \times) RISC-V assembly, processor design, memory hierarchy
- Advanced Computer Architecture $(1 \times)$ cache coherence, virtual memory, branch prediction

Software Engineer — The Trade Desk — Denver, CO

June 2019 - July 2021

Software Developer — Can/Am Technologies, Inc. — Lakewood, CO

Feb. 2013 - Aug. 2016

E EDUCATION

Colorado School of Mines — Golden, CO — B.S. + M.S. Computer Science

July 2016 - May 2019

- Outstanding Graduating Senior for Computer Science
- Chair of Mines ACM, Service Chair of Tau Beta Pi, Linux Help Guru of Mines Linux Users Group (LUG)

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

Matrix Cryptographic Key Infrastructure — Matrix Conference

Sept. 2024

• Provided an overview of how key sharing, key backup, device and user verification, and secret storage operate within Matrix to provide cryptographically secure messaging features.

Hungryserv: A Homeserver Optimized for Unfederated Use-Cases — Berlin Matrix Summit

Aug. 2022

• Discussed a Matrix-compatible homeserver that Beeper uses to handle unfederated bridge traffic.

</> NOTABLE PROJECTS

Nix Home Manager (Maintainer) — github.com/nix-community/home-manager — MIT Sublime Music (Author) — github.com/sublime-music/sublime-music — GPLv3

April 2021 - Present Nov. 2018 - Dec. 2024

• A native Subsonic music server client for Linux built using GTK and Python.

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