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Employment History

Operations Developer at Net-a-Porter

September 2010 to present

Responsible for development and maintenance of the puppet platform, including extensive nagios integration and some custom puppet development. Worked with the team to remove cfengine from our development environment.

Other projects have included Subversion to git migrations, perl build tooling, and various integration tasks around the version control infrastructure.

Perl Programmer at Net-a-Porter

June 2010 to September 2010

Took on the responsibility of improving the packaging and management of application and utility RPMs, as well as stewardship of the continuous integration environment.

Worked closely with the Technical Operations department on smoothing deployments and was sequestered to them to assist in a building prototype for a cobbler/puppet based configuration management platform.

Systems Administrator at IPC Digital

November 2009 to April 2010

Responsible for packaging existing symfony and drupal-based applications for deployment onto the new RedHat Linux based platform, and managing the puppet manifests that encapsulated the other system requirements.

Also had responsibility for the monitoring systems, developing custom plugins for the platform, and evaluating potential replacements for the existing monitoring system.

Systems Administrator at GCap Media/Global Radio

April 2008 to May 2009

Developed a provisioning and configuration system using puppet and debian preseed to manage the django platform that delivered prominent brand websites. To support this further we developed a suite of custom munin and nagios plugins to monitor key internal components.

Systems Administrator at Fotango

November 2007 to January 2008

A short contract assisting with on-call support for existing applications while the company was wound down.

Senior Perl Developer at Foxtons

April 2007 to November 2007

Responsible for the development of the Foxtons websites and other internal systems.

Many of the projects focused on improving development development workflows through applied version control and virtualization in addition to introducing a stable monitoring platform.

Senior Systems Administrator at Fotango

October 2004 to April 2007

Retaining partial responsibility for the build system, moved sideways into the operations team as a systems administrator. Focus moved more to the maintenance of the perl applications, using my development experience to aid with diagnosis and capacity planning.

Release Engineer at Fotango

December 2003 to October 2004

Responsible for maintaining the in-house build system, a cross-platform from-source targeting debian/redhat Linux and AIX systems, including some software porting.

The main focus of the role was to improve the quality and usability of the software releases for the operations team.

Senior Programmer at ForeSite Business Solutions

August 2002 to December 2003

Responsible for the maintenance and ongoing development of the raedel and OpenFire products

Senior Developer at Object1

August 2001 to April 2002

Performed systems design and lead coding on CMS-based projects. Time was also spent on improving internal network services, and setting policies for future development.

Systems Developer at Profero

March 2001 to July 2001

Responsible for the development of log-analysis tools to allow to enable advertising planning planning intranet.

Senior Perl Programmer at calaba

January 2001 to March 2001

Ongoing maintenance and refactor of a WAP targeted web spider, changing from a heavy forking model to a lighter event-based application written in the POE framework.

Senior Tech at oven digital

March 2000 to January 2001

Worked on the eCountries news/b2b site, implemented in MediaSurface, a commercially licensed CMS written in Java and Perl. Mostly Perl heavy lifting, with some exposure to Oracle.

Senior Programmer at tw2.com

July 1998 to March 2000

Responsible for the design and implementation of several bespoke websites and CMS systems, including The Register.

Also took on a systems administration role, handling maintenance of the Unix servers and the connectivity of the tw2 offices.