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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota
B.S. Computer Science

Minneapolis, MN
2011-2015

University City High School

St. Louis, MO
2007-2011

EXPERIENCE

minMOG

Developer

St. Louis, MO

Feb 2017 - Present

- * Worked with Animator and Producer to develop SNARF! a 3D mobile game on IOS and Android
- * Created the Core Gameplay Loop with increasing AI difficulty over time
- * Developed minimal UI and controls so players can focus on the game
- * Created a unique attacking system that takes into account size difference and direction of attack

Washington University Radiation Oncology

Laboratory Assistant

St. Louis, MO

Jun 2011-Aug 2011

- * Assisted with cultivation, recording, and analysis of cell cultures
- * Developed a potential webpage for the laboratory

SKILLS

C# – 0.5 years at work Unity – 0.5 years, personal & work Python – 3 years, school & personal
C++ – 2 years at school Java – 2 years, school & personal JavaScript & HTML – 1 year, personal
Matlab – 1 year at school Arduino Microcontroller – 1 year, school & personal Microsoft Office Suite –
10+ years, school

PROJECTS

I wrote nearly all the scripts for the 3D mobile game SNARF! on IOS and Android, utilizing C#, Unity, and Visual Studio Community as part of a team of 4 over the course of 4 months. This includes AI pathing in a changing environment, making a unique attack system, custom settings, fluidly translating animations based on input and game state, and integrating Unity Ads and Analytics with a fun spin-the-wheel power-up incentive. I implemented a behind-the-scenes stress test upon starting the game to hopefully determine proper quality settings so that the game doesn't slow to unplayable levels even on older hardware.

I worked on an Air Hockey playing robot over the course of 6 months in a team of 3 for my college robotics course. I focused on writing the visual processing logic in Python on a Raspberry PI to find the puck and the

computer controlled striker from a webcam and calculate intercept trajectories, but also participated in planning, budgeting, buying, and assembling parts.

Over the course of 6 months I implemented a 3D ray tracer using the Phong illumination model to render 3D environments to an image based on an input file as part of my Computer Graphics 1 course utilizing both C++ and Python. Shadows and translucent objects are supported, with reflections and refractions of the raycasts.

TennoTyper is a front end only website I created from scratch in raw HTML, CSS, and JavaScript that phonetically translates text into the three fictional languages from the videogame Warframe and the resulting image can then be saved. I wrote this over the course of a couple weeks, and continued to provide updates as problems were found by the community and new languages in game were translated. I created the fictional characters in Adobe Illustrator, and had to export in .png instead of .svg due to security issues with Internet Explorer. It is currently hosted on Github at <https://clarvel.github.io/TennoTyper/>

HexSpace is a 3D space shooter game I made for LOWREZJAM2016 (max game resolution of 64x64 pixels) over the course of a week, written in Processing, a graphical IDE for Java apps. I created the spaceship, planet, and asteroid models in Autodesk Fusion 360, sourced a free background music track, used BFXR to make simple sound effects, and programmed a parallax scrolling background starscape and two different types of AI to populate the game's factions. It is available for free on Windows, Mac, PC, and Raspberry PI through itch.io; <https://clarvel.itch.io/hexspace>