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SKILLS

Programming Languages:

C# (Advanced) | C++ (Intermediate) | Unreal Blueprint (Intermediate) | Python (Intermediate) | Java (Familiar) | C (Familiar)

Gameplay & Systems Programming:

A* Algorithm | Behavior Tree | State Machines | 2D Collision & Physics System | Procedural Generation (Unity) | Space Partitioning (QuadTree)

Engines & Frameworks:

Unity 2D (Advanced) | Unreal Engine (Intermediate) | Unity Addressables

Tools & Workflow:

Git | GitHub | Perforce | Agile Development Practices | Visual Studio | Jupyter Notebook | Aseprite

EXPERIENCE

DOPC | Personal Project | 2D Platformer (Unity Engine) 2023 - 2024

Solo Developer

- **Designed, programmed, and illustrated** a solo pixel-art platformer, owning core gameplay systems, enemy AI, and visual assets.
- **Developed a custom A* pathfinding algorithm** tailored for 2D platform geometry, supporting obstacle navigation, elevation changes, and dynamic targets.
- **Experimented with multi-threaded AI updates** to improve performance with increasing enemy counts, identifying real-time constraints and optimization challenges.

Neon Vengeance: Atavysm | Academic Project | 3D Hack N Slash (Unreal) Aug 2024 - April 2025

Gameplay Programmer | Quality Assurance Lead

- **Collaborated with a 22-member cross-disciplinary team** including designers, artists, programmers, and an audio producer to develop a hack-and-slash game in **Unreal Engine**.
- **Developed in-engine tools** in Unreal Engine to streamline designer and artist workflows, enabling faster iteration, improved asset integration, and reduced manual overhead.
- **Served as the Quality Assurance Lead**, managing bug tracking pipelines, verifying fixes, coordinating with feature developer, and ensuring delivery of high-quality weekly builds.

Astro Odyssey | Academic Project | Custom Engine Sept 2023 - April 2024

Programmer

- **Collaborated with a cross-disciplinary team of 7 developers**, including 3 designers and 4 programmers, to support fast iteration and system integration.
- **Implemented core gameplay systems**—including weapons, companions, enemy behavior, and combat logic—using C++ and C#.
- **Engineered a custom 2D physics engine** with collision detection and resolution, and integrated it into a fully custom C++ game engine.
- **Delivered a custom 2D C++ engine** with embedded .NET runtime support, enabling C# scripting for gameplay systems.

EDUCATION

DigiPen Institute of Technology Graduated Dec 2025

B.S. Computer Science and Game Design | Minor in Mathematics

Relevant Coursework

Computer Science: Computer Graphics | AI for Games | Data Science | Low Level Programming

Game Programming/Design: System Design | Technical Design | Level Design

Mathematics: Discrete Mathematics | Linear Algebra | Probability and Statistics