ALTAPAY: TEAM BUILDING

When I arrived, there were several separate developer teams with almost zero knowledge overlap. Aside from my primary role as developer, I helped align the teams for greater team work and collaboration. Eventually, I became scrum master for two teams and could document substantial improvements in productivity as well as stability of deliveries. I was also actively contributing to a positive working environment by more or less playing informal "chief happiness officer".

ALTAPAY: CRM LOOKUP REDESIGN

I improved a slow, cumbersome CRM onboarding tool by redesigning its interface to prioritize key customer data and add an instant search feature. The changes, made with simple front-end tweaks, drastically reduced load times and made it easier for my colleagues to navigate the system. The result was a more efficient, pleasant experience for the team and a huge improvement in their daily workflow.

COMMENTOR: AZURE TEST AUTOMATION

Working as a consultant, I developed a solution using MS Powershell and the Azure platform to realize ondemand provisioning and management of virtual machines for running automated test suites, and prepared integration with the client's existing MS Visual Studio/TFS-based build/test system.

BRFKREDIT: WORKFLOW

I was part of a team that develops and maintains a Lotus Notes-based document handling and workflow automation solution. The application uses web services to tie together other components (written in Cobol and .Net) and also has a web front-end.

IBM: RFA (REQUEST FOR ANNOUNCEMENT)

My first Java and SQL project involved adding new functionality to an existing Java/Apache Tomcat-based document management system consisting of approx. 26kloc of undocumented code. I cleaned up an xml-like document format into proper xml and undertook major architectural refactoring in order to implement version diffs and page rendering based on XML+XSL.

With fewer overall lines of code, the current version is fully documented, offers proper and xml-aware diff, significantly faster performance, and multiple view modes which can be extended very easily.

IBM: DYNAFORM

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A Lotus Notes-based access request tool for managing innumerable databases world-wide required thousands of custom document forms. In order to sidestep a prohibitively work-intensive maintenance burden on the developers, I invented, architected, and prototyped a radical and innovative method for on-demand form management. This presents a simple user interface and performs back-end compilation, thereby enabling form creation and maintenance for application owners. This concept proved solid and was incorporated into the project.

IBM: BTT (Business Tracking Tool)

An earlier success story involving a multi-user financial tracking tool in use world-wide, where I replaced the built-in single-document locking mechanism with extended functionality supporting sets of separate but related documents, achieving performance with minimal impact on server load.