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Education

MS	2001	University of Nevada, Reno	Computer Science
MS	1999	University of Nevada, Reno	Atmospheric Science
BS	1995	University of Zagreb, Croatia	Mechanical Engineering

Professional Interest

Mr. Podnar's interests include high-performance computing, performance measurement and tuning, system administration, atmospheric and dispersion modeling, and the application of artificial intelligence to the area of environment protection.

Professional Experience

07/2004 - present	Assistant Research Computer Scientist, Desert Research Institute, Reno, NV
02/2003 - 06/2004	Computer Technologist, Desert Research Institute, Reno, NV
05/2002 - 05/2003	PC Support Specialist, University of Nevada at Reno, Reno, NV
01/2000 - 01/2003	Research Assistant, Desert Research Institute, Reno, NV
08/1999 - 01/2000	Principal Systems Programmer, Dyntel, Research Triangle Park, NC
08/1997 - 08/1999	Research Assistant, Desert Research Institute, Reno, NV
09/1995 - 08/1997	Associate Engineer, Energy Research and Environmental Protection Institute
	(EKONERG), Zagreb, Croatia

Computer Experience

OS: DOS, Windows (3.11/95/98/NT/2000/XP), Linux (Red Hat, Mandrake), Solaris, IRIX Programming: Java (Core, 3D, JSP), FORTRAN, C, Perl, HTML, JavaScript, VBScript, ASP, SQL, SAS

Applications: IBM VisualAge for Java, Macromedia Dreamweaver, NetObjects Fusion, Allaire Jrun, Apache/Tomcat, Matlab, MS Office Professional, MS Visual Studio, Paint Shop Pro, Adobe Acrobat & Photoshop, Micrografix Designer, AutoCAD, Surfer

Selected Publications

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- Brown, T. J., Mills, G., Harris, S., Podnar, D., Fearon, M. G., Reinbold, H. J., 2014: Fire weather climatology of Victoria. Invited talk. Project briefing for the Victoria Country Fire Authority: Melbourne, VIC, March 25, 2014.
- Brown, T. J., Mills, G., Harris, S., Podnar, D., Fearon, M. G., Reinbold, H. J., 2014: Fire weather climatology of Victoria. Invited talk. Project briefing for the Victoria Department of Environment and Primary Industries: Melbourne, VIC, March 24, 2014.
- Mills, G., Brown, T. J., Harris, S., Podnar, D., Reinbold, H. J., 2014: Modelling the mesoscale fire weather climatology of Victoria. Australian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society National Conference: Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, February 12, 2014.
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