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Work Experience

- Co-Founder and Backend Engineer at GetchaBooks, LLC
 December 2009 present
 - Designed and wrote most of the PHP/MySQL backend, using a makeshift MVC, Propel ORM, and Memcached.
 - Wrote modular, piecemeal, on-demand bookstore scrapers handling JavaScript and cookies.
 - Managed our **Linux** server.
- Student Research Assistant at AIFB, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
 June 2010 August 2010
 - Wrote AskQ, a Semantic MediaWiki extension that translates plain-text user queries into structured semantic queries and adds rudimentary faceted browsing to query results, using PHP, MySQL, and jQuery.
- Salesperson and Manager at Boston Skyline, Inc.

July 2008 - August 2010

 Sold shirts throughout downtown Boston at a busy pushcart retailer. Managed inventory, cashflow, and employees.

Education

- B.A. in Computer Science, Tufts University, Medford, MA (expected May 2012)
 - GPA: 3.44. Dean's list Fall 2008, 2009, 2010.
 - Semester abroad at the University of Tübingen.

Some particular things I learned in school:

- Analysis and design of **algorithms**, in COMP160
- How to write good C/C++ with valgrind, gdb, and ddd, in COMP40
- **Assembly** and the underlying machine model, in COMP40
- Philosophy of mind and language
- Theoretical and computational linguistics

Miscellaneous

- At various times, I've written Python, Prolog, LaTeX, Scheme, Java, Ruby, and Haskell, and BASIC.
- Natural language competency: English (superb), German (decent), Spanish (mediocre)