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#### Education

Stanford University

PhD student, Computer Science

California Institute of Technology

B.S., Computer Science (3.8 GPA)

Palo Alto, CA

September 2013 - present

Pasadena, CA

September 2007 - June 2013

### Skills

• Computer skills: Python, Unix, C, C++, Objective-C, Java, Perl, MySQL, MATLAB, Mathematica

• Computer science classes: Algorithms, systems, machine learning, neural computation, databases

# Work Experience

• Protabit LLC

Intern, Summer 2012

- Used Python and a variety of bioinformatics tools to analyze the efficacy of protein design software.

• Caltech Department of Mathematics Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow, Summer 2011

- Proved that Tutte polynomials do not satisfy the Kontsevich conjecture.
- Implemented algorithms in Python, Maple, and FERMAT.
- MIT Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences

Intern, Summer 2010

- Ran computer-based experiments to explore how people learn new words.
- Used Python to build the experiment website and interface it with Amazon Mechanical Turk.
- FAU Department of Complex Systems

Intern, Winter 2010

- Modeled therapist-client interactions by solving nonlinear differential equations.
- Caltech Department of Biology

Intern, Summer 2006

- Used C to stochastically model how fast selfish genes spread into a population.
- The model led to three publications and changed the research focus of the lab.

## **Projects**

• Netflix challenge

Fall 2012

- Predicted movie ratings from training data. Ranked 14th in class competition.
- Used C++, the k-nearest neighbors algorithm, and a variant of singular value decomposition.

• Scrabble Summer 2011

Wrote a curses-based Scrabble clone in Python.

### **Publications**

• 6 journal articles: three in biology, two in mathematical psychology, one in mathematical physics. One paper published in *Science*. 2 presentations, both in mathematical psychology.

#### Awards

- Lingle Scholarship (2007, awarded to top two freshmen in incoming class)
- Axline Scholarship (2007, full ride merit scholarship)