# SPENCER ELKINGTON

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Utah

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B.S. Quantitative Analysis of Markets & Organizations Minor Computer Science

Key Skills: Data Structures & Algorithms, Data Analytics, Software Dev, Strategic Consulting, Statistics

Software: Databricks, AWS, Apache Spark, Apache Airflow, Snowflake, Tableau, Linux

Languages: Python, TypeScript, Lua, SQL, JavaScript, C#, C++

## **EXPERIENCE**

Data Engineer, M Science & Jefferies Bank

June 2021 - Present

- Develop fast & scalable Databricks/PySpark ETL pipelines for petabyte-scale economic data
- Design cluster profiling frameworks to assess compute inefficiency & propose infrastructure solutions
- Investigate & implement AWS/Spark optimizations to boost ETL task efficiency by as much as 90%
- Build & present Tableau dashboards for pipeline performance analytics & business cost insights

#### Quantitative Data Analyst Intern, Wasatch Global Investors

Jan 2020 - May 2021

- Developed a Python/SQL data pipeline to ease and automate collection of financial data
- Designed statistics allocation models to market and boost performance of investment portfolios
- Created experiments in Python to adapt network and spectrum analyses to financial forecasting

Dev Ops Research Intern, Utah Center for High-Performance Computing Mar

Mar 2019 - Feb 2020

- Built a **Kubernetes/Docker** platform to simplify deployment of science apps on distributed systems
- Constructed & wrote project documentation site in **React.js** to polish appearance for NSF grants

# INDEPENDENT PROJECTS

#### PointyPal: A Better Online Campus

2020

- Built a class management app to provide students a better online experience through COVID-19
- Created and moderated a virtual campus for 600+ students to test application prior to opening source
- Conducted A/B testing to polish user experiences, resulting in peak growth rates of 100 users/mo

## Beethoven, 2nd Place out of 30 teams

HackTheU 2019

- Designed a closed captioning and audio transcription service for deaf and hard-of-hearing students
- Built a peer-to-peer text & audio streaming TypeScript app using Node.js & React

Robloxaville 2018

- Remastered a popular Lua game on the ROBLOX platform, supporting both PC & mobile gameplay
- Engineered project to patch security vulnerabilities and emphasize project maintenance and scalability

## **LEADERSHIP**

## **VP** of Education → President, Utah Chapter of Triangle Engineering

2019 - 2021

- Created online infrastructure to balance member needs and community safety during COVID-19
- Redesigned governing organization to provide a better environment for org growth & self-governance

# Genomic Data Science Tutoring, University of Utah

2017

- Organized & lead a free Python tutoring group for a graduate genetic anthropology course
- Utilized stochastic learning frameworks to help students understand large genetic systems & data