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SUMMARY	I am a problem solver with extensive experience collecting, processing, and analyzing large amounts of data in distributed settings. Through a high degree of creative persistence, I have successfully tackled extremely difficult problems.
EDUCATION	University of Utah , Salt Lake City, Utah, USA <i>Department of Physics and High Energy Astrophysics Institute</i> Ph.D., Physics, August, 2006 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dissertation Topic: A Search for Anisotropy in the Arrival Directions of Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays Observed by the High Resolution Fly's Eye Detector• Advisor: Charles C.H. Jui B.A., Physics, December, 1997
HONORS AND AWARDS	Outstanding Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Utah, Physics & Astronomy, 2011 U.S. Presidential Scholar, Department of Education, 1994 National Science Scholar, United States, Department of Education, 1994
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	University of Utah , Salt Lake City, Utah, USA <i>Postdoctoral Associate</i> May, 2010 - March, 2016 I was a research collaborator with the Telescope Array (TA) cosmic ray observatory. As a one-of-a-kind facility, the 150 scientists and technologists in the TA collaboration are responsible for design and maintenance of remote facilities (in Millard County, Utah), data acquisition, data storage, data analysis and public dissemination of resulting scientific knowledge. This mission has required the TA collaboration to develop extensive computational resources and has resulted in groundbreaking discoveries about the origin and composition of cosmic rays. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey , Piscataway, New Jersey, USA <i>Postdoctoral Associate</i> July, 2008 - May, 2010 I first joined the TA collaboration as a researcher with the affiliated group at Rutgers University. While my position was officially in New Jersey, I spent most of my time on remote deployment in Utah. University of Hawai'i at Mānoa , Honolulu, Hawai'i, USA <i>Junior Researcher</i> September, 2006 - June, 2008 After my astrophysics research fellowship ended, I decided to remain in Honolulu and secured a position with the Neuroscience and MRI Research Program . My primary responsibilities included analyzing fMRI data, administering a 25-node Linux cluster, and performing clinical duties. <i>Research Fellow</i> January, 2005 - August, 2006 I spent 18 months in a research fellowship studying radio detection of cosmic rays and neutrinos as a member of both the ANITA and AMBER collaborations. University of Utah , Salt Lake City, Utah, USA <i>Research Assistant</i> June 1998 - January 2005 Worked as a graduate research assistant for the High Resolution Fly's Eye (HiRes) Collaboration. Primary research focus was the development—via extensive numerical modeling—of innovative data analysis techniques to compensate for severely asymmetric data resolution and distribution. Also served as the liaison between the collaboration and the Utah Center for High Performance Computing.

Site Director

June 1999 - September 2001

Oversaw the management of data acquisition for one (out of two) of the HiRes observatories. Duties included assuring that approximately 40 data-taking shifts were filled each month, management (transfers and archives) of ~ 1 TB of data, development of automated data processing chains, and the development of new fail-safe systems to protect photosensitive equipment from catastrophic system failures.

Harvard Medical School, Belmont, Massachusetts, USA

Research Consultant

April 2002 - January 2005

Instigated and then carried out recruitment for a National Institutes of Health funded research study in Salt Lake City with researchers from Harvard University and McLean Hospital.

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University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Department of Physics and Astronomy Colloquium, February 2005. **A Search for Anisotropy in the Arrival Directions of Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays Observed by the High Resolution Fly's Eye Detector**

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