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Austin, TX (30.2672°N, 97.7431°W)

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Data scientist and software engineer with 15+ years building systems that matter. I've discovered 2.7M misclassified voters, saved organizations \$4.7M through better algorithms, and built platforms used by thousands of analysts nationwide.

## **KEY ACHIEVEMENTS AND IMPACT**

Discovered 2.7M misclassified Democratic voters through data analysis • Handled billions of records with millions of columns for tens of thousands of users

#### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

Software Engineering • Data Engineering • Data Analysis • Geospatial / Demographic Expertise • Research & Analytics • Programming & Development • Data Infrastructure

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## Siege Analytics | Partner - Austin, TX 2020 - Present

## **Data Science & Political Analytics**

- Discovered 2.7M misclassified Democratic voters through data analysis
- Built algorithm that reduced mapping costs by 73.5%, saving organizations \$4.7M

## Lake Research Partners | Senior Data Scientist - Washington, DC 2018 - 2020

## **Political Research & Analytics**

- Trained team on Python tooling for automated report generation
- Built statistical models for high-profile political campaigns

## The Praxis Project | Technical Director - Oakland, CA 2015 - 2018

## **Technology & Data Infrastructure**

- Built 25 Drupal sites integrating with membership databases and activism CRMs
- Created data infrastructure for community organizing campaigns

## Salsa Labs | Senior Software Engineer - Washington, DC 2012 - 2015

## **CRM & Data Platform Development**

- Built CRM system handling billions of records for tens of thousands of users
- Integrated with Government and Activism APIs for seamless data flow

## PCCC (FLEEM) | Research Analyst - Washington, DC 2010 - 2012

## **Political Research & Data Analysis**

- Handled tens of thousands of calls using predictive dialer for political surveys
- Built statistical models for voter behavior analysis

## The Feldman Group | Data Analyst - Washington, DC 2008 - 2010

## **Political Data Analysis**

- Trained team on PHP/MySQL for data analysis and reporting
- Built demographic analysis tools for voter targeting

#### **KEY PROJECTS**

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# **Ballista Redistricting Platform (2020 - Present)**

Cloud-based GeoDjango platform for redistricting analysis, used by thousands of analysts nationwide

Technologies: GeoDjango, PostGIS, AWS, Docker, React, Python

Impact: Reduced mapping costs by 73.5%, saving organizations \$4.7M

#### Polling Consortium Dataset Meta-Analysis (2013 - 2016)

Comprehensive meta-analysis of polling data from tens of polling and mail firms with different methodologies and encoding systems, creating unified analytical framework

Technologies: Python, R, Statistical Analysis, Meta-Analysis, Data Standardization

Impact: Created \$400M dataset that became foundation for modern electoral analytics, estimated current value exceeds \$1B

For a more detailed, full description of my experience, please visit my LinkedIn (https://www.linkedin.com/in/dheerajchand/) and Personal Site (https://www.dheerajchand.com).

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

**CODE** *Python* (Advanced (Pandas, NumPy, Django, Flask)); *R* (Advanced (Statistical Analysis, Data Visualization)); *SQL* (Expert (PostgreSQL, MySQL, Complex Queries))

**COMPUTE** *AWS* (Advanced (EC2, S3, RDS, Lambda, CloudFormation)); *Docker* (Advanced (Containerization, Orchestration)); *Linux* (Expert (Ubuntu, CentOS, System Administration))

**INTERACT** *Drupal* (Expert (4-10, Custom Modules, Multi-site)); *Django* (Advanced (GeoDjango, REST APIs, Authentication))

**MEASURE** *ArcGIS* (Expert (Desktop, Pro, Server, Spatial Analysis)); *QGIS* (Advanced (Open Source GIS, Plugins, Automation)); *PostGIS* (Advanced (Spatial Databases, Queries, Analysis))

**PLATFORMS** *Tableau* (Advanced (Data Visualization, Dashboards, Server)); *Jupyter* (Advanced (Data Science, Notebooks, Visualization))

TRACK Git (Expert (Version Control, Collaboration, CI/CD))