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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
- Created redistricting platform used by thousands of analysts nationwide

# 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
- Created automated reporting systems for survey research

# 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
- Developed custom modules for nonprofit organizations

# 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
- Optimized database performance for large-scale political operations

# 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
- Managed large-scale data collection for progressive organizations

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# 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
- Created data visualization tools for campaign strategy

#### **KEY PROJECTS**

## **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

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

**CODE** *Python* (Advanced (Pandas, NumPy, Django, Flask)); *R* (Advanced (Statistical Analysis, Data Visualization)); *SQL* (Expert (PostgreSQL, MySQL, Complex Queries)); *JavaScript* (Intermediate (React, Node.js, D3.js)); *PHP* (Advanced (Drupal, WordPress, Custom Development))

**COMPUTE** AWS (Advanced (EC2, S3, RDS, Lambda, CloudFormation)); Docker (Advanced (Containerization, Orchestration)); Linux (Expert (Ubuntu, CentOS, System Administration)); Git (Expert (Version Control, Collaboration, CI/CD))

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

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

**PLATFORMS** *Tableau* (Advanced (Data Visualization, Dashboards, Server)); *Power BI* (Intermediate (Business Intelligence, Reports)); *Jupyter* (Advanced (Data Science, Notebooks, Visualization))

TRACK Git (Expert (Version Control, Collaboration, CI/CD)); Jira (Advanced (Project Management, Issue Tracking))