




# Scott A Lyons

Software Engineer 2 / OSS Data Engineer  
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## EXPERIENCE

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### • Microsoft - Consumer Software Engineering (CSE)

Redmond, Washington

September 2018 - Present

*Software Engineer 2*

- Member of the Data Tech Domain team
- Responsible for educating customers and field-oriented developers on industry trends related to Big Data.
- Collected feedback from field teams, triaged it and reported it back to Product groups
- Worked closely as part of the Azure Databricks feedback loop to expedite customer issues
- Converted R scripts to SparkR and encapsulated them for execution through Azure Data Factory (H&M)
- Consulted on best practices for building and deploying ML models for fastest response time scenarios (Energinet)
- Consulted on best practices for handling encrypted files in a Big Data pipeline (Walgreens)
- Consulted on best practices for distributed event handling through Event Grid (AT&T)
- Served as an emergency consult on scripting and validating HDInsight cluster deployments (Credit Suisse)
- Helped port Feast(<https://github.com/feast-dev/feast>) to run on Azure Databricks
- Did design reviews for large-scale warehousing scenarios (Kroger)
- Worked on the team to build the infrastructure automation for the CSE Kafka on-boarding event
- Wrote benchmarking tools to test CosmosDB's Cassandra offering

Technologies: Python, Azure Databricks, Scala, Spark, Terraform, Docker, Cassandra, Kubernetes, Azure Data Factory, EventHubs, Kafka, Azure Data Lake, Azure HDInsight, Azure CosmosDB

### • Microsoft - Customer Advisory Team (CAT/DataCAT)

Redmond, Washington

September 2015 - August 2018

*Software Engineer 2*

- Worked as an OSS Data specialist
- Worked with customers to unblock technical issues, provide best practices
- Did design reviews with customers to provide optimal performance for a variety of ETL/OLTP scenarios
- Helped plan and automate data gathering for internal project that lead to key design decisions in ADLS Gen 2
- Worked closely with customer in an adjunct Data Engineer role to bootstrap their data processing pipelines
- Worked closely with EventHubs product group to rewrite Spark drivers for best performance and developer experience

Technologies: Python, Scala, Azure Databricks, Hadoop, Yarn, Azure HDInsight, Azure CosmosDB, Kubernetes, EventHubs, Airflow, MongoDB.

### • Microsoft - Compute Insights Team

Redmond, Washington

March 2014 - September 2015

*Software Engineer*

- Built tools to manager and observe Data Science jobs running in COSMOS
- Built data visualization tools based on insights from low-level hardware metrics
- Wrote introductory courses on OSS Big Data concepts, notebooks and Hadoop for my team

Technologies: Python, Scala, F#, C#, COSMOS, Hadoop, HDInsight, D3.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Programming languages:** Python, Scala, Rust, F#/.NET, JavaScript/Node
- **Cloud services:** Azure, GCP
- **Scripting/Infrastructure:** Terraform, Docker, Kubernetes, Bash, Powershell, Bicep
- **Currently learning:** Tensorflow, xgboost, Golang, Typescript

## EDUCATION

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- **Carleton University**

*B.Sc in Computer Science*

- Served as head of Services for the Computer Science Society
- Deployed OpenStack for students to try out cloud computing
- Worked as a software contractor part-time

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

*September 2009 - February 2014*