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Summary

I am launching a career change from earth science research to technology. I completed a PhD at Stanford University where I designed, implemented, and managed complex projects through completion. My research focused on the carbon system in the Ross Sea, Antarctica, which involved computer modeling and analyzing large satellite-derived and oceanographic datasets. Since pursuing my Masters in Computer Science, I have improved my technical skills through coursework and projects and am seeking an internship in software engineering.

Education

University of Pennsylvania

expected 2023

Masters in Computer Science (MCIT), GPA: 4.0

- Courses: Introduction to Software Development, Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science, Introduction to Computer Systems, Data Structures and Software Design, Computer Systems Programming

Stanford University.

PhD Earth System Science, GPA: 4.1

- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (\$138,000)
- Courses: Statistical Methods in Engineering, Advanced Statistical Methods, Numerical Modeling, Vector Calculus

Brown University

B.A. Geology-Biology, GPA: 3.9

Skills

Programming Languages: Java, Python, C/C++, SQL, MATLAB, R, Arduino, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Data Science: Data wrangling, data visualization, model selection, uncertainty and sensitivity analysis, Monte Carlo and bootstrap methods, hypothesis testing, extreme value analysis, time-series analysis, high dimensional regressions

General: Project management and implementation, public speaking, technical writing, literature synthesis

Field: 168 days at sea on research cruises in the Indian and Southern Oceans, scientific scuba diver (>400 dives), field work planning and logistics, scientific instrumentation

Professional Experience

American International School Chennai, Chennai, India

2018 - 2020

High School Science and Computer Science Teacher

- Collaborated with a Stanford professor to teach a Computer Science course based on CS 106A, taken by over 1000 students at Stanford each year
- Tasked with revamping Biology curriculum. With new curriculum, students developed in-depth understanding of content and refined key skills – communication, collaboration, inquiry, and problem solving
- Based on anonymous student surveys, >98% of my students agree with the following statements: I am taught to think critically, I am encouraged to challenge and extend my learning, my teacher is kind and understanding towards me, and my teacher models curiosity and passion for the subject matter
- Head coach for High School Varsity Boys Soccer

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

2012-2018

Postdoctoral Research Scientist (2018)

- Designed, built, and deployed underwater instrumentation across the Chagos Archipelago to monitor how remote coral reefs respond to climate change
- Expert reviewer for *Nature Geosciences* and *Geophysical Research Letters*

Doctoral Research Scientist (2012-2017)

- Built computer model to calculate air-sea CO₂ flux rates in the Ross Sea, Antarctica
- Analyzed 10 terabytes of raw satellite data to identify frazil ice algal bloom hot spots around Antarctica
- Led research program to determine ocean acidification state of surface waters in the Southern Ocean using high-resolution underway datasets
- Measured $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of seawater samples using mass spectrometry to quantify oceanic freshening near Antarctica from ice sheet melt
- Presented at major scientific conferences and published research findings in top journals (>70 citations)

Projects

Automatic Sampler and Pump

- Designed and built autonomous submersible multiport water sampler and autonomous underwater pumping system that we deployed on coral reefs. Collaborated with research engineer on hardware and programmed the microcontroller
- Designs published in 2 peer-reviewed articles

Virtual Science Interactive Classroom resources

- Created interactive data visualizations based on peer-reviewed science for students to explore the carbon cycle

Sample Coursework Projects

- Implemented Merge Sort and QuickSort algorithms with Linked Lists in C++
- Implemented an end-to-end file compression and decompression tool using Huffman coding
- Wrote a program to find all the words on a given boggle board using recursive backtracking
- Designed and developed a Java application to analyze Covid data using N-tier architecture
- Built a reverse assembler in C that converts machine code into assembly

Publications

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Other

Interests: Soccer, backpacking, travel, juggling, magic tricks

Languages: French, Spanish, Tamil

Background: Born in the US and grew up in India and Madagascar; I have also lived in Mali and South Korea