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Professional Experience

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

[September 2021 – present]

Computational Scientist

- Used **machine learning**, chem-informatics screening, and electronic structure theory to design and optimize a discovery pipeline of light-trapping molecules for photovoltaics.
- Established pipeline for cleaning and analyzing collected research data.
- Built chemical recognition library with **Pytorch**.
- Developed **regression models** with data from large molecular simulations on 1000s of CPUs to study the solvated electron in water clusters.
- Utilized expertise in physics and mathematical modeling to write software for computational chemistry applications.
- Outstanding Performance Award.

<u>OutlierAi</u>

[November 2023 – present]

Scientific Domain Expert/Reviewer

Prompt Engineering. Supervised data generation and analysis for training science/math-capable LLM models, enhancing the reliability and accuracy of AI technologies by ~10%.

University of Colorado, Denver

[August 2019 – August 2021]

Computational Scientist

- Saved over \$30k/year in computational resources by designing workflows for fitting new data into the PM6 and PM7 semi empirical methods using conventional and AI algorithms.
- Computed and analyzed dispersion correction methods from large molecular datasets comprising ~1000 molecular systems.
- Co-managed graduate and undergraduate research students. Guided students to master's thesis.

<u>Iowa State University</u>

[August 2014 – July 2019]

Chemistry Researcher / Data Analyst

- **Refactored and modernized** 40+ year legacy code for the GAMESS computational chemistry software.
- Developed and programmed novel **high-performance computational** methods for the GAMESS software.
- On-boarded junior members of the group.
- Received multiple awards for research and teaching

Education

- *University of Texas, Austin* M.S. in Data Science [2024 Present]
- *Iowa State University* Ph.D. in Computational Physical Chemistry [2014 2019]
- Kutztown University of PA B.S. (Summa Cum Laude) in Biochemistry & Mathematics [2010 2014]

Software and Programming Skills

Programming Languages: Python, R, C, F#, Scala, Javascript, Julia, Fortran **Data Science** / **ML**: SQL, NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, PyTorch, Scikit-Learn, Spark

Technologies: Data Visualization (Jupyter Notebooks), Big Data Analytics, Parallel Programming

Software: UNIX, Bash, Git, LaTeX

General: Technical Writing, Peer-review publishing (12), Teaching