

Matthew Robert Walters

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Skiing and Software

SKILLS

Languages Ruby³, Javascript³, Java³, Bash³, Python², Scala², Lua¹, C/C++¹, L^AT_EX¹ Basic - 1
Tools Rails³, Git³, Rspec³, Capybara³, Nginx², HAProxy², Ansible², Jenkins², React², Docker² Intermediate - 2
Data Store MySQL³, Postgres³, Redis³, Elasticsearch³, MongoDB² Advanced - 3

WORK HISTORY

Shopkeepery | Founder | Mar 2016 - Present

Starting as a side project, Shopkeepery is a small business I've built to help artists sell art. Shopkeepery has been a tremendous experience allowing me to refine and temper skills as an entrepreneur, product designer, marketer, and software engineer.

- Developed simple and scalable backend architecture with Ansible, Nginx, and HAProxy on AWS.
- Developed simple UI for artists to design products quickly and easily.
- Supports scalable uploading of very high-resolution image files.
- Deployed by a continuous integration pipeline with RSpec, Ansible, and CircleCI
- Built custom domain support for shops with SSL certs served dynamically with Nginx, Lua, Postgres.
- Created integration with Facebook Marketing API to export collections of products as Facebook ads.
- Created robust image manipulation pipeline with Sidekiq and ImageMagick.

Swifttype | Software Engineer | May 2014 - Mar 2016

Swifttype delivers search as a service for everyone from small business to large enterprise corporations.

- Maintained API serving 3 billion requests per month with average response times below 200ms.
- Worked with TechOps lead to migrate 800GB MongoDB instance to sharded MySQL solution.
- Integrated our sales and marketing stack including Salesforce, Pardot, GA, Mixpanel, Olark, and Slack.
- Maintained and extended a proprietary multi-tenant highly scalable web crawler built with JRuby.
- Worked extensively with Elasticsearch to optimize search results across thousands of websites.
- Developed and supported multiple 3rd party javascript libraries running in millions of browsers.
- Interviewed over 150 applicants for engineering positions and optimized recruitment pipeline.

Couchsurfing | Analytics Engineer | Oct 2012 - Oct 2013

Couchsurfing is a social network allowing users to find accommodations, activities, and companions while traveling.

- Responsible for designing and implementing analytics infrastructure for site serving 7.3 million users.
- Conducted cohort analysis and A/B testing to measure performance of all new features.
- Supported product team in feature design with bespoke data analysis and visualization.

SIDE PROJECTS AND EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Software Mentorship | Passion

I am very passionate about teaching.

- Developed simple lesson plans for beginning bash, python, and ruby students.
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Nantucket | Limerick Generation Framework | GitHub Project: github.com/mattwalters/nantucket

A Python framework for implementing limerick generation strategies. The framework lazily creates and memoizes computationally expensive lexical resources.

- Provides useful lexical resources including a rhyming dictionary and an n-gram graph generator.
- Implemented a limerick generation strategy that uses Markov chains via n-gram graph traversal.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley | 2007 - 2012

- Bachelor of Science, Environmental Economics and Policy
- Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology

Selected Coursework

Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs • Data Structures and Object Oriented Programming
Machine Structures • Algorithms • Modeling Biological Resources • Business Organization and Contract Law
Economics of Innovation and Intellectual Property • Language and the Brain