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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Matlab, C++, Python, Numpy, Mercurial, Unix, SQL, R, Groovy
Active Stack Overflow contributor; AIME qualifier; Project Euler participant

EXPERIENCE

TFS Capital

Quantitative Analyst and Developer

West Chester, PA

2013 – Present

- Coded unit tests to verify behavior of production futures trading code in object-oriented Matlab
- Patched and documented Java financial ticker mapping process issue impacting \$1B+ trading desk
- Developed SQL Server stored procedures directly supporting daily trading desk needs
- Extended automated Perl script to pull economic data and adjust client-facing website fund statistics
- Calibrated convertible bond PDE models with historical multi-dimensional data to price bonds and evaluate risk exposures for hedging in Excel and Matlab as the first bond analyst at the firm
- Researched volatility investments, becoming the subject matter expert; communicated the tail risks associated with variance swaps and options, resulting in an allocation by the fund
- Improved futures execution for expected savings of over 270 basis points annually on \$65MM AUM

Vanguard

Software Engineer

Malvern, PA

2012 – 2013

- Presented benefits of Groovy to senior staff, leading to incorporation into enterprise Java tech stack
- Performed code reviews for changes to legacy Unix shell scripts supporting data handling jobs
- Resolved Axioma and MarketQA production issues for global equity business of \$1T+

University of Pittsburgh

Graduate/Undergraduate Research Assistant

Pittsburgh, PA

2006 – 2011

- Performed scientific calculations on high-performance distributed computing clusters and GPUs
- Automated analysis routines in Matlab and Python to process 100+ GB of simulation data
- Tested, verified, and extended C++ Lattice Boltzmann engine to approximate solutions to the Navier-Stokes fluid flow partial differential equation, resulting in publication in J R Soc Interface
- Simulated flow of salt water and gas mixtures through carbon nanotubes using molecular dynamics and calculated electrostatic distributions using density functional theory techniques
- Replaced single-threaded molecular dynamics engine with LAMMPS to leverage MPI, OpenMP, and CUDA technologies; wrote reusable trajectory post-processing scripts in Python
- Disproved pharmacokinetic model structures by fitting parameters to mice data using Matlab

EDUCATION

Certificate in Quantitative Finance

2011 – 2012

University of Pittsburgh

Master of Science in Chemical Engineering

2008 – 2011

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

2005 – 2008