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Education

- **Cornell University** Ithaca, NY
Ph.D. Applied Math (current), M.S. Computer Science 2008 - 2012(projected)
 - Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellow (Full Scholarship, 4 years)
 - Emphasis on machine learning/data mining and algorithm design/software development related to bioinformatics and optimization
- **Oregon State University** Corvallis, OR
B.Sc. Mathematics, B.Sc. Computational Physics, B.Sc. Physics 2004 - 2008
 - Graduated Magna Cum Laude with minors in Actuarial Sciences and Mathematical Sciences
 - Strong emphasis on scientific computing, numerical analysis and software development

Skills

- **Development:** C/C++, Python, CUDA, JavaScript, Ruby (Rails), Java, FORTRAN, MATLAB
- **Numerical Analysis:** Optimization, Linear Algebra, ODEs, PDEs, Monte Carlo, Computational Physics, Complex Systems, Iterative Methods, Tomology
- **Computer Science:** Machine Learning, Data Mining, Parallel Programming, Data Structures, Artificial Intelligence, Operating Systems
- Discovering and implementing new ideas. Give me an API and a problem and I will figure it out.
- Diverse background in Math, Computer Science, Physics and Biology allows me to communicate to a wide scientific and general audience and begin contributing to any group immediately.
- I have worked in many places in a myriad of fields. I can readily learn and adapt to a new discipline, area or environment and start pushing real results quickly.

Research and Work Experience

- **Bloomberg LP** New York, NY
Financial Software Development Intern Summer 2011
 - Developed end-to-end reporting software in C++ and javascript
 - Implemented statistical models to perform forward and backward portfolio analysis
- **DOE Joint Genome Institute (Lawrence Berkeley National Lab)** Walnut Creek, CA
Researcher in Analysis Group under Dr. Zhong Wang Summer 2010
 - Created **open source** genome validation software tool in python and C
 - Used machine learning to mine TBs of genome data efficiently using novel likelihood function

- Los Alamos National Laboratory** Los Alamos, NM
Researcher in Metagenomics Group under Dr. Nick Hengartner *Summer 2009*
 - Wrote **open source** alignment algorithm software tool in **python**, **C** and **CUDA**
 - Used statistical models to discover sequence alignments using parallel algorithms on GPUs
- Oregon State University** Corvallis, OR
Research Assistant under Prof. Malgorzata Peszynska and Prof. Rubin Landau *2005-2008*
 - Finite element analysis with uncertainty and web-based teaching in **Java**
- Max Plank Institute for the Physics of Complex Systems** Dresden, Germany
NSF REU Research Assistant under Prof. Steven Tomsovic *Summer 2007*
 - Research on extreme value statistics in **MATLAB** and **FORTRAN**
- University of California: Davis** Davis, CA
NSF REU Research Assistant under Prof. Daniel Cox *Summer 2006*
 - Computational biophysics research as applied to protein folding in **Java**

Selected Open Source Projects and Publications (github.com/sc932)

- ALE: Assembly Likelihood Estimator** C, Python
Probabilistic evaluation of genome assemblies *2010 - Current*
 - Uses statistical likelihood function to score and rank genome assemblies
 - Publication being prepared for Genome Research
 - Presented at several conferences including SIAM Scientific Computing
- Velvetrope** Python, C, CUDA
A parallel statistical algorithm for finding homologous regions within sequences *2009 - 2010*
 - Profiled in DEIXIS Magazine, Publication submitted to BMC Bioinformatics
 - Presented at several conferences including Supercomputing and Q-bio
- BetaHelix** Java
Computes various statistics about a left or right handed beta helix *2006 - 2007*
 - Published in Prion: Left handed β helix models for mammalian prion fibrils.

Personal

- Hobbies:** Poker, Golf, Racquet-based sports, Snowboarding, Video Games, Building things (physical and/or digital) and drinking good beer or scotch with new and old friends.
- Why Industry over Academia?** I love exploring new problems on the forefront of research, but academia moves too slowly and bureaucratically for me. I enjoy working in a fast-paced environment pushing measurable results to clients on a daily timescale, using the skills that I have honed throughout my academic career.
- My Ideal Position:** Working with a fun team solving interesting problems. I enjoy every part of development, from deep backend optimization to client-facing applications and interaction. I would love to make a difference wherever and however I am able while leveraging my machine learning, data mining and mathematical background.