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EXPERIENCE

23andMe, Mountain View, CA

January 2014 – present

Engineering Team Lead: Data Services and Portals Team

- Led engineering team (supervising 3–4 engineers) to create Genotyping Services, a Django and Backbone JS webapp that allows external researchers to easily run studies, opening a new channel that increased sales by over 2%.
- Led team responsible for a web-based portal that allows internal and external researchers access to dynamically-computed aggregate statistics on anonymized data stored in HBase for >2 million customers.
- Architected and implemented a Python library that provides a unified API for accessing customer data across MySQL, HBase, and other data stores.
- Built data pipelines with Luigi and Celery to run Python, C++, and R algorithms to impute, transform, and analyze TB of genetic data in both a scientific computing cluster and the AWS cloud.
- Developed, maintained, and monitored ETL processes for billions of genotypic and phenotypic records into MySQL and HBase tables.

Insight Data Science, Mountain View, CA

August 2013 – December 2013

Postdoctoral Fellow

• Developed Parksafely, a web app applying a heuristic algorithm to make parking recommendations, reducing bike theft risk by 40% while requiring only 150 ft more walking on average. Used Flask, PostgreSQL/PostGIS, and Javascript.

SLAC National Accelerator Lab, Menlo Park, CA

May 2008 – August 2013

Research Associate

- Created a PHP logbook webapp with a MySQL backend for tracking work on the EXO-200 experiment.
- Applied machine learning and computer vision algorithms to improve detector energy resolution by 25%.
- Developed batch data pipelines using Python, C++, and shell scripts to process TB of calibration data.
- Mentored 1–2 junior graduate students (at any given time) on lab, coding, and statistical technique.

Rice University, Houston, TX

May 2005 – May 2007

and University of Washington, Seattle, WA

June 2006 - August 2006

Undergraduate Research Assistant

• Implemented (in C++) and evaluated random forest and boosted decision tree algorithms that contributed to the discovery of single top quark production by Fermilab's D0 experiment.

Skills

Languages: Python, C++, Rust, SQL, Bash Shell Scripting, PHP, MATLAB/Octave, Mathematica (some experience), Java (some experience), JavaScript (some experience), R (some experience)

Tools: AWS, NumPy, SciPy, Celery, Luigi, Django, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Git, SVN, P4, LATEX, HBase, Spark, Backbone JS

Other: Machine learning, classification, regression, statistics, hypothesis testing, Monte Carlo simulations, time-series analysis

OPEN SOURCE

SpookyOTP: A lightweight Python implementation of TOTP/HOTP authentication

EDUCATION

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

June 2013

• Ph.D. (Physics)

Rice University, Houston, TX

May 2007

• B.S. (Physics)