Steve Herrin

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EXPERIENCE

23andMe, Mountain View, CA

January 2014 – present

Software Engineer

- Built data pipelines with Luigi and Celery 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.
- Created, as part of a team, a platform for internal and external researchers to access aggregate statistics on anonymized data.
- Architected and implemented a library that provides a unified API for accessing customer data across multiple data stores.

Insight Data Science, Mountain View, CA

August 2013 – December 2013

Postdoctoral Fellow

- Developed Parksafely, a web app to recommend safe, nearby bicycle parking for destinations in San Francisco.
- Created and validated a heuristic algorithm for parking recommendations using Python and a Post-greSQL/PostGIS database, reducing bike theft risk by 40% while requiring only 150 ft more walking on average.

SLAC National Accelerator Lab, Menlo Park, CA

May 2008 - August 2013

Research Associate

- Created a PHP logbook webapp with a MySQL back-end for tracking work on the EXO-200 experiment.
- Maintained and improved (refactoring, adding tests) a real time LabVIEW-based control and monitoring system with over 600 channels.
- Created batch data pipelines to routinely measure detector characteristics, improving energy resolution by 25%.
- 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.
- Investigated and benchmarked many different machine learning classification algorithms for their power to discriminate signals of supersymmetry from backgrounds.

Skills

- Languages: Python, C++, Bash Shell Scripting, PHP, MATLAB/Octave, LabVIEW, Mathematica (some experience), Java (some experience), JavaScript (some experience)
- Tools: NumPy, SciPy, Flask, Django, Celery, Luigi, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Git, SVN, P4, LATEX, HBase, Hadoop/MapReduce
- Other: Machine learning, classification, regression, statistics, hypothesis testing, Monte Carlo simulations, time-series analysis

EDUCATION

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

June 2013

• Ph.D. (Physics)

Rice University, Houston, TX

May 2007

• B.S. (Physics)