

# Alejandro Ruiz

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## Education

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2011):** Physics. Graduated in 3 years.

## Work Experience

**Aulera Authentication (July 2018 -):** Cofounder. Made a physical product and accompanying web systems to let end consumers authenticate physical goods with brands' apps.

**Eastern Labs/Numerated Growth Technologies (February 2016 - May 2018):** Senior Software Engineer on Data Team. Focus on turning datateam prototypes into production services, from prototype to deployment. Responsibilities include: Technical lead on several codebases (contributing code, reviewing PRs, testing, mentoring junior engineers), ops for data loading and production web services, data analysis, ETL jobs.

**Pluralsight/Smarterer (November 2014 - February 2016):** Full Stack Engineer, transitioning to Data Engineer. Started at Smarterer (a startup) as full-stack engineer on a heavily algorithmic product. Transitioned to data engineering post-acquisition, with a focus on data-driven production-ready services. Python, Flask, Rabbit, MySQL, HBase, Redis, R

**Ornithopter Technologies (November 2013 - November 2014):** Cofounder. RDBMS-based tool for organization. Architected and developed a full-scale web application with cofounder, extremely similar to airtable.com. Python/Django, Postgres, JS/Backbone

**Wayfair (October 2012 - November 2013):** Search and Recommendations Team. Back-end of the search and recommendations platforms, including projects involving search-by-color and personalization. Python, MSSQL, SOLR, Hive, Redis

**Independent Software Consulting (February 2012 - October 2012):** Built data analytics tools for clients, e.g. tool to find heartbeat inflection point cardiology researchers. Python, Javascript, LaTeX

**Intrepid Development [Intern] (November 2011 - February 2012):** Built iphone apps with 15-person dev team. Objective-C, XCode, Balsamiq

**Large Hadron Collider - CMS Detector (January 2010-August 2010):** Undergraduate Research, focused on cross section measurements of Z boson decays using Monte Carlo techniques. C++, ROOT, FORTRAN (unfortunately)

## Technologies

**Software Languages:** Python, SQL, Javascript, R, HTML/CSS, PHP, bash, and very rusty with C++, Objective C, MATLAB

**Databases:** Postgres, MySQL, MSSQL, NoSql (mostly Mongo)

**Data:** Hive, SOLR, ElasticSearch, OpenGL, and to a lesser extent, Hadoop, Impala, Spark

**Ops:** Linux (Ubuntu and RHEL), Fabric, Nginx, Wsgi (gunicorn and uwsgi), Cron.

**Miscellaneous Other:** Emacs, Pandas/Numpy, RabbitMQ, Celery, Redis, ReactJS, LaTeX, JQuery, Flask, Django, SQLAlchemy, SASS, Beautif

## Skills and Roles

**Front End:** Not my forte, but comfortable building interactive, JS-heavy front-end pages. JQuery, react, angular, backbone.

**Back End:** Experienced in architecting scalable systems and building back-end web applications and APIs.

**Science:** Experienced in building and implementing statistical models, experimental design, data analysis, web scraping.

**Ops:** Comfortable deploying production web services with nginx, ETL operations, basic networking and AWS.

## Non-tech

**DIY:** Avid DIYer. Renovate houses, rebuild engine, grow roses.

**Music:** Play Trumpet, Tuba, Baritone sax, clarinet. Love a good funk jam.