# **Steve Zelaznik**

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### Summary

- Five years building actuarial and financial simulation software.
- Equally versed in agile and test driven development.
- Graduate of App Academy, acceptance below 5%.

### **Actuarial Exams Passed**

> P > FM > MLC > MFE > C

## **Computer Skills**

➤ Ruby On Rails ➤ Python ➤ PostgreSQL ➤ Javascript ➤ jQuery

➢ Git
➢ Numpy
➢ CSS
➢ Backbone
➢ Excel/VBA

## **Professional Experience**

### **AEGON Asset Management**

**Derivatives Analyst** 

Jan 2012 – Jun 2015 Baltimore, MD

- Researched alternative hedging strategies. Projected savings: \$50 million/year.
- Designed new random seed generator, speeding convergence time by a factor of 30.
- Built audit trail for daily hedging, reducing turnaround time and error rates.

### **AEGON Group Risk**

**Actuarial Analyst** 

Oct 2008 – Jan -2012 St Petersburg, FL – Baltimore, MD

- Built API to manipulate actuarial software from Excel. It became known as the 'Miracle Tool'.
- Rebuilt interest rate curve engines for use for 31 countries. Went live in 3 weeks.
- Improved the efficiency of VBA tools for financial reporting, shortening 21 days of work to 5.

#### **KDNK Public Radio**

**News Director** 

Feb 2007 – Oct 2008 Carbondale, CO

Created news department; helped bring station to second highest rated in market

## **Projects**

## **Cosmo-Connect**

http://www.cosmo-connect.com/

- Dating website built with Rails, PostgreSQL, and BackboneJS
- Used PostgreSQL triggers to keep data consistent, materialized views to speed up rendering.

## **Frozen-Dictionary**

http://www.github.com/zelaznik/frozen dict

- Python extension in C for immutable, hashable, O(1) mappings.
- Complete unit test coverage, more lines for tests than original code.

## Chess

http://www.github.com/zelaznik/chess

• Follows object oriented best practices to play chess in Ruby.

## **Education**

**App Academy** 

Full Stack Training: Ruby, Rails, Javascript, JQuery, SQL

June 2015 – August 2015 San Francisco, CA

**University of Wisconsin - Madison** 

Bachelor of Science: Economics and Applied Math

Aug 2002 – Dec 2006 Madison, WI