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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Gigglebot.app, Founder & CEO

Mar 2025- Current

- · Created iOS app for low-latency AI image & video generation with diffusion ML models
- Research on accelerating inference through post-training optimization
- Full-stack development with Python FastAPI, Docker, and GCS backend, Swift frontend

Tesla, Staff Machine Learning Engineer

July 2023- Feb 2025

- Implement microservice-based electricity forecasting driving >\$120MM annual trading PnL
- Design & deploy market-tied optimization models for Virtual Power Plants of 10k+ devices
- Redesign Powerwall optimization engine (Opticaster) to allow 10-100x speedup and unlock 10-year modeling of NEM 3.0 / NBT rate case, results presented to CPUC
- Collaborate with business stakeholders to define VPP product roadmap and engineering priorities across US, Australia, and EU electricity markets

Teza Technologies, Portfolio Manager and Quantitative Researcher

2018-2023

- Develop, deploy, and manage ML forecasting models in a Python + Java stack
- Portfolio Manager for \$100-200M in assets with 1.1-1.4 Sharpe with fully systematic algorithms powered by statistical and deep learning models using market and alternative data
- Manage production software operations and test-driven development process (Python stack)
- Managed team of 3 PhD researchers developing new signals, including hiring/firing
- · Define Investor Relations and Marketing strategies for new products

PhD Student, UC Berkeley

2013-2018

- Research privacy-preserving optimization techniques for federated machine learning
- Apply Convex optimization techniques to sizing, siting, and bidding of energy resources
- Forecast electricity prices and demand using machine learning tools
- Model secure decentralized optimization using blockchains and smart contracts

Lead Consultant, North American Electronics Practice, Sphera/Thinkstep 2009-2013

- · Managed team of 4 researchers across EU, US, and APAC offices
- Presented results to Fortune 100 C-level executives
- · Technical sales and business development

• Product Design Laboratory Manager, Olin College	2007-2008
AWARDS	
• Winner, Citadel/Correlation One International Data Open Championship	2017
• Winner, Wanxiang Global Blockchain Challenge	2017
• 2nd Place, SF10x Hackathon	2025
• 2nd Place, SF Climate Week 2025 Hackathon	2025
National Science Foundation Innovation Corps awardee	2017-2018
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow	2015-2018
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND	
• PhD in Civil & Environmental Engineering, UC Berkeley	2013-2018
• B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, F.W. Olin College of Engineering	2004-2008

POSITION-SPECIFIC SKILLS

- Machine Learning / Data Science, Convex Optimization, and Optimal Control algorithms
- Python: Machine Learning (pytorch, huggingface, transformers, diffusers), data science, web apps
- R, Javascript, SQL/PostgreSQL: functional proficiency

PUBLICATIONS

- "Cybersecurity in Distributed and Fully-Decentralized Optimization: Distortions, Noise Injection, and ADMM" (Munsing, Moura) arxiv.org 2018
- "Data-driven Chance-constrained Regulation Capacity Offering for Distributed Energy Resources" (Zhang, Hu, Munsing, Moura, Song) IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid 2018
- "Using Ethereum for Secure Decentralized Optimization" Ethereum Devcon 3 technical talk 2017
- "Optimal Sizing and Dispatch of Transmission-Scale Storage Systems" (Munsing, Berger, Moura) Applied Energy (*whitepaper*)
- "Flexibility Estimation in Consumer Electricity Consumption", (LeFloch, Munsing, Moura) Applied Energy (whitepaper)
- "Blockchain Microgrids: Decentralized Optimization and Energy Markets" (Munsing, Mather, Moura) Conference on Control Technology and Applications 2017
- "Robust Cournot-Bertrand Equilibria in Power Networks" (Mather, Munsing) American Controls Conference 2017
- "Optimal Design of Dual-Reservoir Energy Storage System Through Particle Swarm Optimization", (2016) PowerMEMS Conference
- "A Modular Approach to LCA: The Process and Results Applied to Hewlett-Packard's Imaging Products" (Etheridge, Koffler, Munsing) ACLCA Conference 2013
- "Cutting the Costs of LCA: The Case of Laser Printers" (Lodal, Munsing, Saraev) ACLCA 2012
- "Developments in Impact Assessment Tools for the Electronics Industry" (Munsing, Herrmann, Canepa) ACLCA Conference 2010
- Cover Editor, Journal of Industrial Ecology, 2012-2014

ENTREPRENEURSHIP	
• Technical Co-Founder, EcalCharge electric vehicle charging startup	2017
 Founder, ski binding equipment maker, Switchskis 	2016
• Co-Founder, full-stack developer, Mycarbonoffsetter	2016
LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	
 Organizing Member, GreenerMind Summit 	2014-present
 Board member, Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association 	2023-present
 San Francisco Energy Discussion Forum leadership team 	2022-present
• Direct 100+ volunteers and team leads in weekly events with Clean Up The City SF	2022-present
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- Fluent in German (spoken and writing), beginning comprehension in Russian (spoken and writing)
- Backpacked the Pacific Crest Trail, a 2700-mile hike from Mexico to Canada
- Organized and led a mountaineering expedition to climb Denali (Mt. McKinley)
- · Converted an old FedEx van into a tiny home and spent two years living in it while working remotely