

Austin Hoag

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Work Experience

Imaging Product Software Developer

July 2019 - Present

Princeton Neuroscience Institute, Princeton University

Princeton, NJ

- Used computer vision models to perform image segmentation and object detection in brain images
- Created a full-stack web application for researchers to submit, query and visualize experimental data
- Wrote well-tested software pipelines for neuroscientific data analysis, scaled for high performance computing

Independent Contractor

September 2017 - January 2018

Research Done

Oak Park, IL (Remote)

- Used natural language processing to clean and analyze unstructured financial documents
- Mined Wikipedia for company and product information matching text in client's corpus
- Developed a PostgreSQL database to store extracted data products

Postdoctoral Researcher in Astrophysics

August 2018 - July 2019

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

- Developed software to detect and classify objects in terabyte-scale space telescope imaging datasets
- Used Bayesian inference to constrain physical properties of ultra-distant galaxies from telescope images
- Published over 40 scientific articles (6 first-author) in peer-reviewed journals during my career in academia

University of California, Davis

Davis, CA

Graduate Student Researcher

2012-2018

- Modeled galaxy cluster mass distributions using nonparametric methods
- Analyzed telescope observations to infer timeline of the early universe to highest precision at the time

Education

University of California, Davis

Davis, CA

Ph.D. in Physics

2012 – 2018

GPA: 3.81/4.00

Colby College

Waterville, ME

Bachelor of Arts in Physics, with Honors

2008 – 2012

GPA: 3.80/4.00

Skills

Python, Linux/Unix,
Javascript, HTML, CSS

SQL, Flask, Django,
Docker, Redis

Google Cloud Platform
LaTeX, Git

Awards

2018: Paul Brady-Charles Soderquist Graduate Fellowship, UC Davis

2014-2017: NASA Earth and Space Science Fellowship, Astrophysics

2016: Graduate Student Travel Award, UC Davis

2014: Summer Graduate Researcher Award, UC Davis

2012: Ray and Constance Chandler Fellowship, UC Davis

2008-2012: Dean's list, Colby College