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Open Source & Languages

- Auto-Cropper for Art** An unsupervised algorithm that detects the edges of artworks in images, and rotates/crops the images to eliminate the background. A writeup explaining the theory and code is available [online](#).
- Image SVD** [Command line utility](#) for lossy image compression with some artistic distortion effects. Breaks down image matrices into their singular value decomposition.
- Languages** Ruby (proficient), R, Scala, Javascript, CoffeeScript (competent), Prolog, Python, Matlab (familiar).

Experience

Fall 2013 - Present. **Artsy Inc.** (New York) *Software Engineer*

- Consolidated event stream architecture, streamlined the offline data processing workflow.
- Expanded and maintained the API and other platform services.
- Explored art sales data and implemented algorithmic batch processes.

Spring 2013. **GWU Chemistry Department, Physical Chemistry** *Student Researcher*

- Expedited and simplified equilibrium and kinetic calculations in Cantera with Python.
- Automated molecular energetic calculations in GAMESS with Python.

Fall 2009 - Fall 2012. **GWU Chemistry Department, Cahill Lab** *Student Researcher*

- Computationally modeled crystal structures from single crystal x-ray diffraction data.
- Discovered novel organometallic materials with applications in medical imaging, electro-optical devices, and radiation detection.

Education

2014-2015 **Post Baccalaureate**; Columbia University (New York)

Coursework: Linear Algebra, Machine Learning, Advanced Machine Learning

2009-2013 **BS in Chemistry, BA in Honors English**; George Washington University (Washington, DC)

Thesis: [The Cognitive and Emotional Neural Processes of Inter-subjectivity](#)

Honors

- 2013: Sylvia Speck Prize for Exemplary Achievement in English Literature
- 2012: George Gamow Research Fellowship Award
- 2010: Chemical Rubber Company Freshman Achievement Award
- 2006, 2007: Violin: Two time winner of the Golden Key Competition, played in Carnegie Hall NYC