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Senior manager in financial technology, working to make data delightful

13 years experience in Financial Technology, including:
*Fixed Income / Mortgages / Credit Risk / Financial and Engagement Reporting
Engagement Management / Program Management / Business Analysis / Training*

Professional Experience

Independent Consultant, Jeddak Inc

Mar 2018 – present

Jeddak Inc is the corporation I established for my consulting work. I'm currently available for senior consulting engagements in financial technology, as well as longer-term positions.

- September 2018 - April 2019: Engaged at Luxoft, on management consulting and sales.
- June 2018 - August 2018: Engaged at Citi, via Luxoft. Leading requirements analysis for a re-platforming project, in the MBS Collateral space.
- I'm also writing a short book on business analysis.

Senior Engagement Manager, Executive Director level – Luxoft USA

July 2015 – Feb 2018

I ran the North American segment of Luxoft's managed-service engagement with UBS, providing offshore software development and support for three suites of applications. The tools spanned the full trade lifecycle in the mortgages and banking products spaces, including MBS and ABS securities, derivatives, whole loans, and loan syndication.

- My engagement management team provided onshore high-touch client service, to complement our offshore development teams. This included management reporting, program and project management, and high-level analysis.
- We managed delivery teams totaling over 40 developers and testers.
- I was responsible for managing a budget of about \$10 million per year, including satisfying the client that their money was well spent, and satisfying Luxoft that we were exceeding our margin requirements.
- I took a special interest in bringing transparent and automated engagement status reporting to our clients, as well as to Luxoft senior management. Tableau was the tool of choice.

Vice President, Credit Risk Reporting – JPMorgan Chase

April 2013 – June 2015

I led a team of project managers and business analysts, helping to design and deliver JPMC's strategic credit risk management platform.

- In parallel to creating the new system, we were decommissioning a large suite of legacy credit risk applications, with a base of over 10,000 users.

Director, Mortgages Front Office Reporting – UBS **April 2010 – April 2013**

I led development of business intelligence, financial reporting, and workflow tools for a \$40 billion distressed asset fund. The fund included mortgage-backed securities, whole loans, and derivatives.

- I inherited a high-risk, high-manual-touch set of applications, which were breaking regularly, even as they were supported by expensive consultants.
- I managed the transition to my new team of 14 developers and QA, mostly offshore. We reduced technology costs by over \$1 million per year, via offshoring.
- At the same time, we greatly improved automation, reliability, and client satisfaction.

Associate Director, Mortgages Business Analyst – UBS **Sept 2006 – April 2010**

I was a business analyst for UBS Investment Bank’s risk analytics platform, for MBS and ABS securities and derivatives.

- For me, the best part of this was creating a wiki, to capture not only our official documentation, but also our team’s institutional knowledge.
- I also spent a lot of time teaching our users (and new developers) how to use the system.

Visiting Instructor in Philosophy – Moravian College **Sept 2002 – June 2004**

I taught philosophy at a private liberal-arts college in Pennsylvania.

- Courses taught: Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Computability and Logic, Contemporary Philosophy, Introduction to Philosophy, Logic, Medical Ethics, Philosophy of Mathematics, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Technology.
- Prior to this, I taught similar courses as an adjunct lecturer at colleges within the City University of New York, including Baruch College and Queens College.

Education

City University of New York Graduate Center **1991 - 1995**

M.A. and M.Phil. in Philosophy. I specialized in philosophy of mathematics, and formal logic.

Harvard University **1986 – 1990**

B.A. in Philosophy. Besides philosophy, most of my coursework was in mathematics and physics. I was a founding member of the Harvard-Radcliffe Science Fiction Association.

Professional Certifications

PRINCE2 Practitioner **2018**

Certified in PRINCE2 project management methodology. This method is especially in demand for UK-based projects, but is broadly applicable to all IT projects.

CFA Investment Foundations **2016**

Certification from the CFA Institute in finance, ethics, and the global investment industry.