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EDUCATION

MS, Computer Science

MIT | Cambridge, MA

BS, Biology and Computer Science

Caltech | Pasadena, CA

SKILLS

Programming

- Python
- Javascript, Typescript
- Ruby on Rails
- SQL
- C# (.NET Framework)
- C, C++
- R

Software

- Git, CI/CD
- Docker
- Apache Airflow
- Django
- AWS (Batch, EC2, S3, Lambda)
- Nextflow
- React.js
- Snowflake
- Kubernetes
- Kafka

Other

- Software development
- Orchestration & distributed computing
- Project management
- Technical communication

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Spateo: multidimensional spatiotemporal modeling of single-cell spatial transcriptomics. in press, 2024
- [2] Dynast: Inclusive and efficient quantification of metabolically labeled transcripts in single cells. MIT, 2022
- [3] Modular and efficient pre-processing of single-cell RNA-seq. Nature Biotechnology, 2021.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Software Engineer

Aug 2022 – Present | Ginkgo Bioworks, Boston, MA

- Developed backend software solutions for synthetic biology applications in a highly collaborative and Agile environment.
- Served as technical lead for a software engineering team embedded in a major pharmaceutical project and owned multiple bioinformatic pipelines.
- Acted as a core engineer and SME for a bioinformatic analysis execution pipeline processing thousands of jobs daily on cloud infrastructure (AWS).
- Led cross-functional efforts involving multiple engineers to enhance the reliability, scalability, and throughput of computational biology workload orchestration.
- Mentored junior engineers and interns in software engineering best practices.

Software Developer

Aug 2020 – Jun 2022 | MIT, Cambridge, MA

- Developed software tools for cancer evolution and synthetic biology research.
- Processed terabyte-scale multi-modal (single-cell) sequencing datasets using LSF in a distributed, parallelized environment.
- Designed and implemented computational algorithms for lineage tracing, preprocessing and spatial transcriptomics.

PROJECTS

Data Abstraction Layer

Apr 2024 - Mar 2025 | Ginkgo Bioworks

- Developed a Python-based data abstraction layer to streamline access and analysis across the company's data stack, hiding the complexity of underlying data sources.
- Enabled scientists to query and analyze data through a unified API, removing the need to understand underlying data models and reducing time-to-insight by 30%.
- Integrated diverse data sources, including SQL databases (via REST and GraphQL APIs), Snowflake, and S3 data lakes from distributed systems.

Distributed Analysis Orchestration Pipeline

Sept 2022 - Apr 2024 | Ginkgo Bioworks

- Led the development of the first company-wide analysis registry, improving analysis discoverability and tracking. Reduced onboarding time for new analyses by 50% and mentored an intern through its successful delivery.
- Optimized resource allocation and job scheduling in cloud infrastructure (AWS Batch) by implementing auto-scaling, cutting costs by 30% with no performance impact.
- Enhanced distributed computing in cloud infrastructure for an in-house biosecurity NGS pipeline, increasing throughput by 1000% and reducing costs by 50%.

Scientific Research Software

Aug 2020 - Jun 2022 | MIT

- Developed Spateo 🌐, a Python package for high-resolution spatial transcriptomics analysis, pioneering mRNA-based cell segmentation.
- Developed Dynast 🌐, an advanced preprocessing pipeline for biological sequencing, delivering more comprehensive results at a fraction of the computational cost of existing methods.
- Enhanced Cassiopeia 🌐, a single-cell lineage reconstruction tool, reducing runtime by 30% and implementing novel graph reconstruction algorithms.