COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGIST · SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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Education

MIT Cambridge, MA

PHD. STUDENT IN EECS

Aug 2020 - Present

Caltech Pasadena, CA

B.S. IN BIOLOGY AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sept 2016 - Jun 2020

- Cum. GPA: 4.0 / 4.3
- Biology Courses: Regulation of Gene Expression, Cell Biology, Genetics, Bioinformatics
- CS Courses: Decidability and Tractability, Algorithms, Learning Systems

Experience

Ginkgo Bioworks

Boston, MA

SOFTWARE SOLUTION ENGINEERING INTERN

Jun 2020 - Aug 2020

- Worked on migrating Ginkgo's mass spectrometry data pipeline to AWS and Airflow.
- Was responsible for the full development cycle of the project–from conceptualization, making architectural and design decisions to implementation, validation, and release.

Pachter LabPasadena, CA

• Worked with Sina Booeshaghi and Prof Lior Pachter on single-cell RNA-seq projects.

Sept 2019 - Jun 2020

- Developed a friendly wrapper around a popular scRNA-seq pre-processing pipeline (kb-python).

Ginkgo Bioworks

Boston, MA

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

Undergraduate Researcher

Jun. 2019 - Sept 2019

Jan 2017 - Jun 2019

- $\bullet \ \ \text{Worked on improving Ginkgo's in-house data analysis pipeline and various backend services}.$
- · Worked with other software engineers in an Agile environment to deliver stable, scalable and tested products.

Sternberg Lab Pasadena, CA

Undergraduate Researcher

- Worked with **David Angeles PhD.** and **Prof Paul W. Sternberg** on projects involving the model organism C. elegans.
- Developed an automatic, complete RNA-seq pipeline for nematodes (Alaska).

Projects

HOBBY PROJECT

lfq

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Aug 2020 - Present

• New binary encoding for FASTQ sequence data.

• Developed a cross-platform command-line tool to encode and decode FASTQ files to and from this new data format.

Mass Spectrometry Pipeline

GINKGO BIOWORKS Jun 2020 - Aug 2020

- Migrated mass spectrometry pipeline, which depended on an on-prem Windows machine, to Linux on AWS and Airflow.
- Implemented the ability to call Windows DLLs within Linux with Wine and IronPython.
- Retired an internal fork of ProteoWizard by contributing back to the project.

kb-pythonPachter Lab

pachterlab/kb_python

Oct 2019 - Present

- A Python wrapper around the kallisto | bustools pipeline for scRNA-seq pre-processing.
- Pre-processes scRNA-seq data into gene count matrices and RNA velocity matrices.
- Provides pre-built reference indices for pseudoalignment.

NGS Pipeline

GINKGO BIOWORKS Jun 2019 - Sept 2019

- Migrated in-house NGS pipeline to the cloud (AWS S3, Batch, DynamoDB).
- Implemented pipeline metrics collection with Elasticsearch and Grafana.
- Implemented contamination screening via taxonomy analysis with Centrifuge.

Alaska

STERNBERG LAB

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Jan 2017 - Aug 2019

- Developed a framework for automated, complete RNA-seq analysis.
- Parse Server backend. Frontend portal in Javascript, HTML/CSS. Containerization with Docker.
- Presented a poster at the 21st International C. elegans Conference.

Publications

2020 **Feature demultiplexing for single-cell genomics assays**, co-first author

In preparation

2020 Modular and efficient pre-processing of single-cell RNA-seq, author

Under review

Presentations

SURF Seminar Day

Pasadena, CA

PRESENTER FOR <A FRAMEWORK FOR AUTOMATED, COMPLETE RNA-SEQ ANALYSIS>

Oct 2018

• Presented work done on Alaska during summer fellowship.

21st International *C. elegans* Conference

Los Angeles, CA

POSTER PRESENTER FOR <A FRAMEWORK FOR AUTOMATED, COMPLETE RNA-SEQ ANALYSIS>

Jun 2017

• Introduced Alaska, an RNA-seq analysis pipeline for nematodes.

Awards & Honors

2018 **Semi-finalist**, Perpall Speaking Competition

Pasadena, CA

2018 **Fellow**, Samuel P. and Frances Krown SURF Fellowship

Pasadena, CA

2017 Fellow, SURF Fellowship

Pasadena, CA

Skills

Programming Python, Javascript, C/C++, HTML/CSS

Software Docker, Django, Apache Airflow, AWS S3/Batch/DynamoDB, Elasticsearch, React.js, CI/CD, Numpy, Pandas

Data Analysis Bulk RNA-seq, Single-cell RNA-seq

Molecular Biology PCR, Cloning, Purification

Extracurriculars

The Big T Yearbook Pasadena, CA

Business Manager, Designer, Photographer; Editor-in-Chief Sept 2019 - Jun 2020

Sept 2016 - Jun 2020

- (Editor-in-Chief) Responsible for setting the theme, layout, content, and publishing of the 2019-2020 yearbook.
- Established a new advertisement system, shared cloud storage system, job organization and assignment system, and payment reimbursement system.
- Designed pages and took/edited photos with Adobe Creative Cloud software.

Caltech & American Red Cross

Pasadena, CA

 ${\sf Health\,Advocate\,\&\,Emergency\,Medical\,Responder}$

Sept 2017 - Jun 2020

• American Red Cross certified emergency medical responder and basic life support provider.

Worked as the dormitory health advocate and provided first aid to students.

Student Government, Lloyd House

Pasadena, CA

Jun 2017 - May 2019

• Responsible for recording Lloyd House (dormitory) events by taking photos.

• Established a new shared cloud storage system to distribute these photos.

HISTORIAN