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EDUCATION

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Aug 2020 - May 2026 (Expected)

PhD in Computer Science (Area: Computational Biology)

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

August 2016 - May 2020

B.S. Computer Science & B.S. Mathematics, Overall GPA: 3.62/4.0, Major GPA: 3.68

Core Courses: Bioalgorithms (A, Top 3), Algorithms and Analysis (A), Computational Geometry (A), Formal Methods (A), Compilers (A), Advanced Web Programming (A), Machine Learning & Graphics (A-), Machine Learning & ODE (A-), Cryptography (B-)

SKILLS

Programming Languages

Python, Ruby, Java, Clojure, Haskell, Coq, JavaScript, C++, Scala

Web Development

React, Vue.js, Scala.js, TypeScript

Formal Methods Mathematics

Abstract Interpretation, Basic Dependent Type Theory, Model Checking Calculus, Linear Algebra, Elementary Differential Geometry, Combinatorics

PERSONAL PROJECTS

Coarse Project Link

A Clojure van Laarhoven Lens (Functional Getter and Setter) Library

- Implemented Haskell algebraic structures in Clojure using multimethods
- Reimplemented the van Laarhoven encoding (functor encoding) of lens

Impur Project Link / Example Output

A PureScript Static Site Generator Inspired by Hakyll

- Implemented a static site generator that generates non JavaScript HTML5 webpages with math notation
- Designed the data types to catch invalid markup and references at compile time

EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant Aug 2018 - May 2020

UNC Computational Genetics Working Group

Advisor: Leonard McMillan (Assoc. Prof.)

- Analyzed and visualized transposable elements using Python (pandas, matplotlib) and Julia (Gadfly.jl)
- Designed algorithms for efficient clustering and classification on transposable elements

Teaching Assistant / Learning Assistant

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign / UNC Chapel Hill

- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign: CS421 Programming Languages (Ongoing)
- UNC Chapel Hill: COMP 520 Compilers, COMP 550 Algorithms and Analysis

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 6th place (out of 184 teams), 2018 ACM-ICPC Mid-Atlantic USA Regional
- National First Prize, China's "15th Awarding Program for Future Scientists" (2015, Administered by the Ministry of Education and Chinese Academy of Sciences)

MISC

English Fluency GRE Verbal 169 (99%), Quantitative 167 (90%), Analytical Writing 4 (57%)

Other Languages Mandarin (native), Japanese (intermediate, B1)