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EDUCATION

Columbia University

Sep. 2019 - May. 2021 (Expected)

Bachelor of Engineering, Computer Science, GPA: 3.79/4.00

Colgate University

Sep. 2016 - May. 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Physics, GPA: 3.88/4.00

Aquincum Institute of Technology

Spring 2019

CS Study Abroad, affiliated with Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Cell Image Segmentation - single-cell level spatial profiling

May 2020 - Present

Computational Cancer Biology Lab, Columbia University

Supervisor: Dr. Elham Azizi

- · Implemented and trained an end-to-end Feature Pyramid Networks for cell nuclei image segmentation
- \cdot Refined segmentation results for adjacent, cluttered cells with incorporation of geometrical features, multi-level watershed and morphological post-processing steps
- · Transferred the segmentation knowledge learnt from in vitro images to in situ tissue images

Predicting intercellular Ligand-Receptor interactions

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

Computational Cancer Biology Lab, Columbia University

Supervisor: Dr. Elham Azizi

- · Performed preprocessing, clustering & cell-type inference on multiple liver tissue scRNA-seq datasets
- \cdot Calculated pairwise cluster distance within and across datasets for cell-type imputation, predicted cluster-wise ligand-receptor interactions via NicheNet

PICASSO: Copy Number Variation Inference

Sep. 2019 - Present

Computational Biology Lab, Columbia University Supervisors: Dr. Itsik Pe'er, Dr. Sitara Persad

- \cdot Assisted developing PICASSO, an iterative HMM model to infer copy nuber variation regions (CNVs) and intra tumor heterogeneity from single-cell RNA-seq data
- \cdot Inferred cellular clonal structures and phylogenetic lineage using EM-clustering, determined the stopping criterion of tree iterations guided by BIC and hierarchical clustering
- \cdot Implemented large-scale, full genome length randomized simulations synthesized from real scRNA-seq samples for benchmark
- · Optimized the running time over 60% by parallelizing the core computation steps of the framework

NanoFusion: Oxford Nanopore Sequencing Analysis

May 2019 - Aug. 2019

Computational Biomedicine Workgroup, BME

Supervisor: Dr. Péter Sárközy

- \cdot Designed pipelines to compare performances and accuracy metrics of multiple Oxford Nanopore Sequencing basecallers on NA12878 Chr1 data
- \cdot Performed PHRED-score biased Multiple Sequence Alignments to basecalling reads, reduced soft-clipped regions and improved the mapping accuracy

Seismic Data Analysis

May 2017 - Sep. 2017

Geophysics Lab, Colgate University Supervisor: Dr. Aubreua Adams

- \cdot Retrieved and analyzed Earthquake events in New York state from 2016 to 2017 with Python and AWK, refined data on earthquake arrival time, epicentral locations & depth
- · Characterized and distinguished shallow earthquakes from mining events in the Adirondacks region

PROJECTS

Ancestral Sequence Reconstruction (ASR)

Jan. 2020 - May. 2020

Course: Computational Genomics Supervisor: Dr. Itsik Pe'er

- · Implemented algorithms of among-site rate variations (ASRV) and site-specific constraints for marginal ASR, extending features to *TreeTime*, a python library for phylogenetic analysis
- \cdot Evaluated reconstruction results on public mitochondrial datasets, improved the overall root state likelihood scores comparing against the baseline model

Gene-level Analysis of scRNA-seq data

Oct. 2019 - Dec. 2019

Course: Machine Learning for Functional Genomics

Supervisor: Dr. David Knowles

- \cdot Predicted cell types of human SC-islets dataset with XGBoost model, extracted cell-type specific differential expression features with SHAP
- \cdot Constructed gene co-expression networks from the trained model, evaluated the reliability of the networks with WGCNA

Phylogenetics tree with 18S rRNA sequences

Mar. 2019 - May. 2019

Course: Computational Biology and Medicine

Supervisor: Dr. Péter Sárközy

- \cdot Refined a phylogenetic tree with progressive alignments & hierarchical clustering on selected Vertebrata 18S rRNA sequences
- · Evaluated the results with NCBI taxonomy database & MUSCLE package

MANUSCRIPTS

Yinuo Jin*, Alexandre Toberoff*, and Elham Azizi. "Transfer learning framework for cell segmentation with incorporation of geometric features" Accepted to NeurIPS 2020 Workshop on Learning Meaningful Representations of Life (LMRL)

Aubreya Adams, **Yinuo Jin**, Monica Dimas, and Isabel Dove. "Leveraging USArray and Regional Networks to Characterize Natural and Mining Seismicity at the Intersection of the Grenville and Taconic Provinces" Submitted to Seismological Research Letters: Eastern Section

Relevant Courseworks

Computer Science:

Computational Genomics
 Computational Biology and Medicine
 Artificial Intelligence
 Analysis of Algorithms
 Machine Learning
 Machine Learning
 Advanced Programming

Statistics & Biology:

· Probability Theory · Statistical Machine Learning for Genomics

· Statistical Inference (Registered: Spring 2021) · Genetics

· Principles & Applications of Modern DNA-seq · Cells & Human development

Honors & Awards

Sigma Pi Sigma (SPS) Physics Honor Society

Charles A. Dana Scholars (top 5% seniors, juniors and sophomores)

Colgate University Douglas Rankin '53 Fellowships

Colgate University Hackett-Rathmell 1968 Memorial Fund

2017

SKILLS Languages: Python, C++, Java, Bash, R

Framework/Tools: Pytorch, GATK, Samtools, Minimap2