RICHARD SHUAI

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

2018-2022

B.A. Computer Science & B.A. Statistics

GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Gray Lab, NSF REU Research Fellow, Johns Hopkins University

Jun. 2021 - Current

Using generative language modeling to design synthetic antibody libraries. Trained a \sim 12.8M parameter GPT-based transformer on \sim 558M antibody sequences. Sampled novel antibody sequences, measured properties for therapeutic developability, and visualized antibody structural predictions with PyMOL. Patent pending.

Ioannidis Lab, Research Assistant, UC Berkeley

Jan. 2021 - Current

Using CNN-based deep learning models with scATAC-seq data to prioritize variants affecting chromatin accessibility in kidney tissue. Trained models and evaluated performance on predicting allelic imbalance. Analyzed first-layer convolutional filters and in silico saturation mutagenesis outputs to discover transcription factor binding motifs.

Waller Lab, Research Assistant, UC Berkeley

Nov. 2019 – Mar. 2021

Used deep learning for real-time image reconstruction from convolutions with a spatially-variant point spread function. Proposed and trained a U-Net with learnable Wiener deconvolutions, achieving ~1000x speedup against existing iterative algorithms with similar reconstruction quality.

Abbasi Lab, UC Berkeley URAP Apprentice, UCSF

Sept. 2020 – Dec. 2020

Worked on statistical pipelines to associate multiple sclerosis patient genotypes and RNA-seq data with their phenotypes. Performed exploratory analysis of gene expression data using DESeq2 and clustering algorithms.

Shuai Lab, Research Assistant, UCLA

May 2019 – Sept. 2019

Discovered supporting evidence for a novel epigenetic regulatory pathway in chemokine production with RNA-seq analysis. Aligned and counted reads using STAR, detected differentially expressed genes with edgeR and DESeq2, and created visualizations of significant results.

EMPLOYMENT

Amazon, Software Engineering Intern

May 2020 – Aug. 2020

Developed pricing configuration page for Amazon Pricing Team and external business users for competitive price analysis with Agile development. Expanded backend functionality within Java Spring Framework to add key features. Revamped previous UI with React Redux, supporting 8 month phase-out of previous interface.

Abiocode, Inc., Lab Technician

May 2018 – Aug. 2018

Prepared Arabidopsis sample protein extracts for gel electrophoresis. Performed SDS-PAGE and Western Blotting experiments, using basic lab techniques such as pipetting and centrifugation.

WORKSHOPS & PRESENTATIONS

- **Richard W. Shuai**, Jeffrey A. Ruffolo, Jeffrey J. Gray. "Generative Language Modeling for Antibody Design." *NeurIPS Workshop on Machine Learning for Structural Biology*, poster (2021).
- **Richard W. Shuai**, Jeffrey A. Ruffolo, Jeffrey J. Gray. "Generative Language Modeling for Antibody Design." *RosettaCON*, poster (2021).

PUBLICATIONS & PRE-PRINTS

- **Richard W. Shuai**, Jeffrey A. Ruffolo, Jeffrey J. Gray. "Generative Language Modeling for Antibody Design." *bioRxiv* (2021).
- Kyrollos Yanny*, Kristina Monakhova*, **Richard W. Shuai**, Laura Waller. "Deep learning for fast spatially-varying deconvolution." *Optica* 9, 96-99 (2022)
- **Richard W. Shuai***, Kyrollos Yanny*, Kristina Monakhova, Laura Waller. "MultiWienerNet: Deep Learning for Fast Shift-Variant Deconvolution." *Computational Optical Sensing and Imaging*, pages CTh5A–5. Optical Society of America (2021).
- Kathleen M. Yee, **Richard W. Shuai**, Bin Liu, Christian A. Huynh, Chao Niu, Hailey R. Lee, Min S. Lee, Jirui Wen, Jian Zou, Jiang Wu, Ke Shuai. "TET1 controls Cxcl1 induction by DNA demethylation and promotes neutrophil recruitment during acute lung injury." *bioRxiv* (2021).

SKILLS

Programming languages: Python, Java, R, C, Javascript

Libraries: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, HuggingFace, NumPy, pandas, SciPy

Molecular modeling: PyRosetta, PyMOL

Relevant coursework: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computational Methods in Genomics and Medicine, Artificial Intelligence, Optimization Models, Probability and Random Processes, Data Structures, Linear Algebra, Linear Modeling