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Education	**University of California, Davis**	2023-Present
	PhD, Computer Science	
	Advisor: Dr. Kwan-Liu Ma	
	California State University, Long Beach	2019 - 2023
	Bachelor of Science, Computer Science	
	Advisor: Dr. Bo Fu	

Publications

B. Fu, **A. Austin**, and M. Garcia. *Visualizing Mappings Between Pairwise Ontologies - An Empirical Study of Matrix and Linked Indented List in Their User Support During Class Mapping Evaluation.* In Proceedings of the 22nd International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC 2023), LCNS, Springer, 2023

Research Experience

Graduate Student Researcher
UC Davis Visualization and Interface Design Lab   Oct 2023 - Present

- Researched methods for anomaly detection in HPC system data for monitoring and root cause analysis of hardware failure.
- Experimented with different streaming visualization designs for displaying variation in sensor readings using different functional data analysis techniques.
- Developed a visual analytics framework for online, interactive analysis of Ganglia logs collected from HEP experiments.

Research Assistant
CSULB Data Semantics and Human-Data Interaction Lab   Aug 2022 - May 2023

- Conducted user study of two ontology visualization techniques in their visual support during human evaluation of class mappings.
- Designed and executed task-based experiments with 81 participants while obtaining data from Gazepoint eye tracker.
- Evaluated the extent to which a given visualization supports recognition of visual cues, validation of existing mappings, and creation of new results using eye tracking data, task success, and task completion time.

Grad Course Projects

ECS 289L Advanced Deep Learning with Dr. Hamed Pirsiavash   Fall 2023

- Collaborated with another graduate student to research LLMs for anomalous log sequence prediction in HPC data. We experimented with additive attention mechanism and hierarchical attention network on GPT and BERT models. For our prediction task, the BERT model outperformed the GPT model for both datasets.
- We found that using different attention mechanisms resulted in improved accuracy and f-1 scores for BERT trained on sparse time series data and no improvement for BERT trained on high-frequency time series data.

Industry Experience

Data Engineer Intern
Nihon Kohden Digital Health Solutions   May 2021 - Aug 2023

- Researched methods for fitting time-series data and classification of alarm thresholds for reducing alarm fatigue. Currently awaiting patent approval for alarm data storage engine and simulation algorithm.
- Improved usability and performance of real-time and historical medical data visualization applications based on feedback from health care professionals.

Data Engineer Intern
Amazon   May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Migrated large-scale ETL pipeline to Native AWS for real-time workforce management and analytics software. Reduced latency of agent statistics pipeline by optimizing pipeline architecture to improve performance, scalability, and resource usage.
- Expanded Selling Partner Support (SPS) Engineering cloud development kit (CDK) base code package to create AWS resources to carry out migration.

Awards	UC Davis Computer Science Department Fellowship	2023
	CSU's Program for Education and Research in Biotechnology (CSUPERB)	2022

Teaching Experience	ECS 170 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, *Teaching Assistant*	Spring 2024

Community Involvement	Girls Who Code UC Davis, *Speaker*	May 2024
	2023 BEACH Women in Engineering Conference, *Volunteer*	April 2023
	COE/CNSM Transfer Student Panel, *Speaker*	March 2023
	CSULB Women in Computing (WiC) Sisterhood, *Mentor*	Aug 2022-May 2023
	2022 BEACH Women in Engineering Conference, *Volunteer*	April 2022
	Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA), *Volunteer*	March 2022
	Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP), *Member*	2022-2023
	CSULB CS Undergraduate Student Advisory Board, *Volunteer*	Feb 2022
	CSULB Women in Computing (WiC), *Treasurer*	Aug 2021-May 2022
	MarinaHacks, *Design Committee Volunteer, Sponsorship Committee Lead*	Jan 2021

References

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