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Education

2019 - · · · D M.S., University of Washington Seattle - Computer Science

Advisor: Prof. Dan Weld Cumulative GPA 3.90 / 4.0

Highlighted Coursework: Natural Language Processing, Adv. Topics in Human-Computer Interaction, Deep

Learning, Operating Systems, Computer Security

2016 – 2019 D.S., University of Washington Seattle - Computer Science, minor Mathematics

Thesis: Finding and evaluating RNA motifs with CMfinder [2].

Advisor: Prof. Larry Ruzzo

Cumulative GPA 3.94 / 4.0, magna cum laude

Highlighted Coursework: Machine Learning, Software Design & Implementation, Data Structures & Paral-

lelism, Data Visualization, Algorithms, Databases, Systems Programming, Computational Biology

Started 2 years early through the Robinson Center Academy program.

Research Experience

2020 - · · · · **Graduate Researcher** with Prof. Elena Glassman (Harvard) and Prof. Dan Weld (UW). Currently developing an aggregation and visualization method for research paper abstracts.

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2019 - · · · · | Graduate Researcher, Lab for Human-AI Interaction (University of Washington)

Mentored by Gagan Bansal and advised by Prof. Dan Weld.

Developed, implemented, and evaluated a novel adaptive explanation style for human-AI teams on a sentiment analysis task. Analyzed participants' feedback on how AI explanations impacted their decision-making. Resulted in 2nd-author publication and submission to CHI [1]. Also featured in a WHI 2020 spotlight.

Developed a set of tools (*blockmerge* and *crosscompare*) and a pipeline centered on CMfinder to search for potentially structured fRNA sequences across alignment block boundaries and cluster found covariance models. Wrote up methods and findings in Bachelor's thesis [2].

Teaching Experience

2018 – 2019 ▶ **Teaching Assistant**, University of Washington

Taught sections of 20+ students and assisted individual students in office hours.

Wrote and reviewed course handouts, homework, and exams.

Graded student programming assignments and exams.

2019 AU: CSE374 Programming Tools & Concepts (Tyler Pirtle)

2019 SP: CSE369 Introduction to Digital Design (Dr. Justin Hsia)

2019 WI: CSE369 Introduction to Digital Design (Dr. Justin Hsia)

2018 AU: CSE331 Software Design & Implementation (Prof. Mike Ernst)

2018 SU: CSE331 Software Design & Implementation (Leah Perlmutter)

Publications

* denotes equal contribution

Pre-prints

[1] G. Bansal*, T. Wu*, **J. Zhou**, R. Fok, B. Nushi, E. Kamar, M. T. Ribeiro, and D. S. Weld, "Does the whole exceed its parts? The effect of AI explanations on complementary team performance", Accepted to CHI 2021, abridged version presented in WHI spotlight, 2020, **6** [Online]. Available: https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.14779.

Theses

[2] **J. Zhou** and L. Ruzzo, "Finding and evaluating RNA motifs with CMfinder", Bachelor's thesis, Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering, University of Washington, 2019. (Online). Available: https://cephcyn.github.io/pub/2019-bachelors_thesis-Finding_and_evaluating_RNA_motifs_with_CMfinder.pdf.

Awards and Achievements

2018 Phi Beta Kappa, honor society, top 10%, focus on liberal arts and sciences.

2016-2018 Dean's List, awarded for high quarterly GPA.
Obtained Quarterly Dean's List for 7 quarters, Annual Dean's List for 2 years.

Miscellaneous

Certifications

2018 Dracle Certified Professional Java SE 8.

2017 Do Oracle Certified Associate Java SE 8.