

# John Zobolas

I have a diverse background, from mathematics and computer science, to **software engineering** and **modeling**. My strongest quality is careful, analytical thinking. I like writing **clean** and **test-driven software** that enables technological applications, as well as **analyzing and visualizing data** to facilitate understanding of biological processes.

I spend my free time playing the piano, juggling or reading books.

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## Education

- 2021  
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2017
- **Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)**  
PhD in Medical Technology / Computational Biology  
📍 Trondheim, Norway  
  
*Thesis: Software implementations allowing new approaches toward data analysis, modeling and curation of biological knowledge for Systems Medicine* [[GitBook link](#)] [[Defence video](#)] [[Results](#)] [[Diploma](#)]
  

2015  
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2013

  - **Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB)**  
MSc in Computer Science  
📍 Athens, Greece  
  
*Thesis: SkyLighting Web Application with three.js* [[GitHub link](#)] [[Diploma](#)] [[Transcript](#)]
  

2013  
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2007

  - **National Technical University of Athens (NTUA)**  
M.Eng in Electrical and Computer Engineering  
📍 Athens, Greece  
  
*Thesis: Optimal Power Allocation in the uplink of Two-Tier Wireless Femtocell Networks* [[GitHub link](#)] [[Diploma](#)] [[Transcript](#)]

## Professional Experience

- April 2021  
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Jan 2021
- **Internship in Molecular AI group**  
AstraZeneca  
📍 Gothenburg, Sweden
    - Funded by the Digital Life Norway Industry Program
    - Predicting bioactivity data using Bayesian Matrix Factorization
    - Target clustering and validation for phenotypic screens
  

July 2018

  - **Research stay in Molecular Interactions Team**  
European Bioinformatics Institute  
📍 Hinxton, England
    - Funded by the COST action "Gene Regulation Ensemble Effort for the Knowledge Commons" (GREEKC)
    - Extending the PSICQUIC Java-based Web service platform to include causality information of molecular interactions


## Contact Info

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## Skills

📊 R  
📊 tidyverse  
📄 Javascript  
📄 HTML  
📄 CSS  
📄 Java  
📄 Python  
📄 MariaDB  
📄 Git

2015  
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2013

- **Linux Systems Engineer and Database Performance Tester**  
Commsquare  Athens, Greece
  - Administration/Monitoring of Linux servers & Databases
  - Database Performance tuning (optimizing queries, insertion speed)
  - Customer support / Troubleshooting



## Selected Publications

2021

- **Logical modeling: Combining manual curation and automated parameterization to predict drug synergies**  
[bioRxiv - Preprint](#)
- **Boolean function metrics can assist modelers to check and choose logical rules**  
[arXiv - Preprint](#)
- **CausalBuilder: bringing the MI2CAST causal interaction annotation standard to the curator**  
[Database](#)

2020

- **UniBioDicts: Unified access to biological dictionaries**  
[Bioinformatics](#)
- **emba: R package for analysis and visualization of biomarkers in boolean model ensembles**  
[Journal of Open Source Software](#)

2019

- **CausalTAB: the PSI-MITAB 2.8 updated format for signalling data representation and dissemination**  
[Bioinformatics](#)



## Books

2021

- **8 Rules to write a PhD Thesis: A PhD Thesis Rulebook**  
[Online GitBook](#) 



## Awards/Scholarships

2013




- **Program Study with Scholarship, EqualSociety**  
Scholarship for the MSc in Computer Science (AUER)

2007

- **Program Great Moment for Education, Eurobank**  
Award for the highest grade in the Panhellenic examinations



## Recreational Activities

- **Playing piano**    
I have a [YouTube channel](#) in which I upload piano music!
- **Juggling**   
Check out my [Instagram account](#) for videos with juggling tricks!
- **Fitness** 