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programming at a glance Java, Python, R

about

Computer science graduate student with strong analytical skills and extensive research experience seeking a summer 2015 internship.

education

Master of Science, Computer Science

2014-2016 (expected)

3.5 cumulative GPA

The University of New Mexico

Concentrating in data mining and machine learning.

Bachelor of Science, Psychology

2010

The University of New Mexico

Concentrated in neuroscience with a minor in computer science.

selected research/work experience

Research Assistant

2015-current

The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

summary

Research assistant for Dorian Arnold, PhD, in the Scalable Systems Lab applying data mining techniques to better predict faults and refine resource management in high-performance computing systems. Partnering with Los Alamos National Laboratory.

Analyst/Programmer

2011-2014

The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

summary:

Lead analyst in a neuroscience research lab run by Elaine Bearer, MD—PhD, managing various research projects and lab members.

notable accomplishments:

- Streamlined lab data processing and analytical techniques, resulting in a 100x (3 hours manually → 30 seconds) reduction on time spent in critical image preprocessing steps and numerous batch processing steps for other tasks
- Major contribution to landing a 2.7 million dollar NIH R01 grant to study the etiology of post traumatic stress disorder via neuroimaging and genetics using transgenic mouse models
- Lead author on three research papers (one submitted, two nearing submission), three conference abstracts and presentations, and coauthor on many more submitted and pending papers and abstracts
- Trained and mentored 10 undergraduate and postbaccalaureate student employees and volunteers

computer skills

programming languages, notable libraries, and tools

Java, R (caret, ggplot2), Python (scikit-learn, gensim, matplotlib, pandas, statsmodels), linux shell scripting, Latex, git, svn, MongoDB, and map/reduce. Some experience with Javascript, C/C++, and Matlab.

software packages and operating systems

Linux (Ubuntu/CentOS), Microsoft Windows, Apple OS X, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Photoshop, Amira, ImageJ, MIPAV, SPM8, FSL, NiftyReg, and MetaMorph.

selected publications

articles in peer-reviewed journals

Quantitative measurements and modeling of cargo-motor interactions during fast transport in the living axon

Pamela E Seamster, Michael Loewenberg, Jennifer Pascal, Arnaud Chauviere, Aaron Gonzales, Vittorio Cristini, Elaine L Bearer Physical Biology 9.5 (2012) p. 055005. 2012

conference proceedings

Unbiased comprehensive analysis of neural activity in response to fear with in vivo MR imaging of animal models of PTSD

A. Gonzales, A. Delora, R. E. Jacobs, E. L. Bearer 2014 Neuroscience Meeting Planner, 2014, Washington, DC

Aging deficits in axonal transport are exacerbated by abeta plaques: An MEMRI study

A. Gonzales, J. J. Gallagher, X. Zhang, R. E. Jacobs, E. L. Bearer

2013 Neuroscience Meeting Planner, 2013, San Diego, CA USA

Live imaging of mesolimbic circuitry and activity in transgenic mouse models of post-traumatic stress by manganese-enhanced mri

A. Gonzales, J. J. Gallagher, X. Zhang, R. E. Jacobs, E. L. Bearer

2012 Neuroscience Meeting Planner, 2012, New Orleans, LA USA

manuscripts in preparation

In-vivo Imaging of fear pathways in mice: an MEMRI method

Aaron Gonzales, Adam Delora, Xiaowei Zhang, Russell E Jacobs, Elaine L Bearer 2015

The RESTORE Registry: The Initial United States Experience with Lower Extremity Revascualarization on Real World Patients with the Supera Stent

Miguel Montero-Baker, **Aaron Gonzales**, Gregory Ziomek, Luis R Leon Jr, Joseph L Mills, John P Pacanowski Jr 2014, submitted

Stripping rodent brain images by automation: Empowering rodent models for investigation by magnetic resonance imaging Adam Delora*, Agron Gonzales*, Russell E Jacobs, Elaine L Bearer

* - these authors contributed equally, 2014, submitted

selected coursework

Data Mining

Graduate introduction to data mining from both a theoretical and practical perspective including data cleaning, dimensionality reduction, classification (e.g. Bayes, boosting, bagging, random forests), clustering (e.g. density-based, co-clustering, subspace), machine learning, time-series mining, and graph mining. Course project involves latent semantic indexing, topic modelling, and visualization of 84 million captured tweets to forecast economic movements with a novel use of vector autoregressive models.

Computational Linguistics

Theoretical and practical introduction to semantic analysis, models of languages, speech synthesis, hidden Markov models, and other topics. Semester group project augmenting a computational humor system with a feed-forward neural network and n-gram query filter system to enhance output.

Advanced Data Analysis I/II

Graduate statistics with a focus on practical analysis using **R**. Topics included linear, logistic, and polynomial regression, non-parametric methods, cluster analysis, PCA, multivariate methods, experiment design and visualization.

other interests/accolades

Olympic Weightlifting

- 2014 New Mexico Games: Gold Medalist, 94kg class
- 2013 New Mexico Games: Silver Medalist, 85kg class
- 2013 Barnholth Memorial Invitational: Silver Medalist, 85kg class