BRIAN HIE

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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Ph.D. candidate

2017-Present

GPA: 5.0/5.0; Areas of concentration: Machine learning, algorithms, computational biology

Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

Computer Science, B.S. with Honors and Distinction

2012-2016

Minor in English Literature

GPA: 3.9/4.0; Areas of concentration: Machine learning, computational biology, distributed systems

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL)

2017-Present

- Achieved privacy-preserving and scalable neural network training on large, cryptographically hidden data sets, applied to drug-target interaction prediction (https://github.com/brianhie/secure-dti).
- Applying novel algorithmic techniques for analyses of high-dimensional data to derive better biological insight from single cell RNA-sequencing data sets (https://github.com/brianhie/scanorama and https://github.com/brianhie/geosketch).

Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

Hunter Fraser Laboratory, Biology

2013-2016

- Applied machine learning methods to predict associations between transcription factor binding and gene expression.
- Used statistical methods to explore the relationship between genotype and the formation and function of circular RNAs.

Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

Shakeosphere Project, Digital Humanities

2016

• Applied graph-theoretic algorithms to understand the evolution of social networks of early modem English authors, printers, publishers, and booksellers.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Illumina, Inc., San Diego, CA

Machine Learning Intern

2018

 Analyzed large genomic data sets by developing novel unsupervised and semi-supervised statistical machine learning methods.

Salesforce.com, Inc., San Francisco, CA

Software Engineer, Cloud Infrastructure

2016-2017

• Developed algorithms and a distributed pipeline that scaled to petabytes of system log and metric data to generate accurate key performance indicators visible to top company leadership.

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Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA

Software Engineering Intern, Azure Compute and Microsoft Research

• Investigated different distributed scheduling algorithms and their impact on utilization and availability on a simulated Azure data center.

Synaptics, Inc., San Jose, CA

Systems Architecture/Algorithms Intern

2014

2015

• Developed and implemented an algorithm for optimal touchscreen finger tracking by solving the minimum weight bipartite matching problem.

PUBLICATIONS

OBLICATIONS	
B. Hie* , H. Cho*, B. DeMeo, B. Bryson, and B. Berger. (*Equal contribution.) "Geometric sketching of single-cell data preserves transcriptional structure." To appear at RECOMB 2019.	2019
B. Hie , B. Bryson, and B. Berger. "Panoramic stitching of heterogeneous single cell transcriptomic data." bioRxiv (Preprint).	2018
B. Hie *, H. Cho*, and B. Berger. (*Equal contribution.) "Realizing private and practical pharmacological collaboration." Science, 362:6417 (2018).	2018
A.K. Tehranchi, B. Hie , M. Dacre, I.M. Kaplow, K.P. Pettie, P.A. Combs, and H.B. Fraser. "Fine-mapping cis-regulatory variants in diverse human populations." eLife (In Press).	2018
A.K. Tehranchi, M. Myrthil, T. Martin, B. Hie , D. Golan, and H.B. Fraser. "Pooled ChIP-seq links variation in transcription factor binding to complex disease risk." Cell, 165:3 (2016).	2016
AWARDS	

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Hoefer Prize for Writing in the Major, Nominated, Stanford University	2016
Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honors Society	2015
Lunsford Award for Oral Presentation, Nominated, Stanford University	2014
Boothe Prize for Excellence in Writing, Honorable Mention, Stanford University	2013
President's Award for Academic Achievement, Stanford University	2013
National Merit Scholarship Finalist	2012