## **BRIAN HIE**

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Interests: Machine learning, statistics, computational biology, systems biology, host-pathogen interactions.

## **EDUCATION**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Ph.D.

2017-2021 (Expected)

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, M.S.

• GPA: 4.9/5.0; Areas of concentration: Computational biology, machine learning, statistics.

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: Computational biology, computer systems, machine learning.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL)

2017-Present

- Neural language modeling of viral evolution (https://github.com/brianhie/viral-mutation).
- Bayesian machine learning for biological discovery and design under uncertainty (https://github.com/brianhie/uncertainty).
- Insightful and efficient geometric algorithms for single-cell biology (https://github.com/brianhie/scanorama and https://github.com/brianhie/geosketch).
- Cryptographically secure neural network training (https://github.com/brianhie/secure-dti).

Google LLC, Mountain View, CA

Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Resident, X – The Moonshot Factory

2019

• Machine learning for early-pipeline moonshots.

Illumina, Inc., San Diego, CA

## Machine Learning Intern, Bioinformatics

2018

Statistical signal processing for genomics-based health monitoring.

Salesforce.com, Inc., San Francisco, CA

## Software Engineer, Cloud Infrastructure

2016-2017

• Robust performance monitoring of globally distributed core application infrastructure.

Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

## Hunter Fraser Laboratory, Biology

2013-2016

• Statistics and machine learning for computational genomics, including fundamental problems involving transcription factor binding, chromatin accessibility, and circular RNA function.

Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

## Shakeosphere Digital Humanities Project, Stanford Humanities Center

2016

• Graph-theoretic analysis of the social network of early modern authors and publishers.

| Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA  |      |
|---|------|
| Software Engineering Intern, Azure Compute and Microsoft Research                                 | 2015 |
| • Distributed scheduling algorithms and their impact on data center utilization and availability. |      |
| Synaptics, Inc., San Jose, CA   |      |
| Systems Architecture/Algorithms Intern  | 2014 |
| <ul> <li>Algorithm design and implementation for embedded touchscreen firmware.</li> </ul>        |      |

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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| ournal articles |   |      |  |  |  |
|-----------------|---|------|--|--|--|
|                 | <b>B. Hie</b> , E. Zhong, B. Berger, and B. Bryson.  "Learning the language of viral evolution and escape."  Science, in press. bioRxiv, DOI: 10.1101/2020.07.08.193946.                                      | 2020 |  |  |  |
|                 | <b>B. Hie</b> , B. Bryson, and B. Berger. "Leveraging uncertainty in machine learning accelerates biological discovery and design." Cell Systems, 11:5.   | 2020 |  |  |  |
|                 | <b>B. Hie*</b> , J. Peters*, S. Nyquist*, A. Shalek, B. Berger, and B. Bryson. (*Equal contribution.) "Computational methods for single-cell RNA sequencing."  Annual Review of Biomedical Data Science, 3:1. | 2020 |  |  |  |
|                 | <b>B. Hie*</b> , H. Cho*, B. DeMeo, B. Bryson, and B. Berger. (*Equal contribution.) "Geometric sketching compactly summarizes the single-cell transcriptomic landscape." Cell Systems, 8:6. (cover article)  | 2019 |  |  |  |
|                 | <b>B. Hie</b> , B. Bryson, and B. Berger. "Efficient integration of heterogeneous single-cell transcriptomes using Scanorama." Nature Biotechnology, 37:6.  | 2019 |  |  |  |
|                 | A. Tehranchi, <b>B. Hie</b> , M. Dacre, I. Kaplow, K. Pettie, P. Combs, and H. Fraser. <i>"Fine-mapping cis-regulatory variants in diverse human populations." eLife</i> , 8:e39595.                          | 2019 |  |  |  |
|                 | <b>B. Hie*</b> , H. Cho*, and B. Berger. (*Equal contribution.)  "Realizing private and practical pharmacological collaboration."  Science, 362:6417.   | 2018 |  |  |  |
|                 | A. Tehranchi, M. Myrthil, T. Martin, <b>B. Hie</b> , D. Golan, and H. Fraser. "Pooled ChIP-seq links variation in transcription factor binding to complex disease risk." Cell, 165:3.                         | 2016 |  |  |  |
| c               | onference papers  |      |  |  |  |
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## Со

**B. Hie**, E. Zhong, B. Bryson, and B. Berger.

"Learning mutational semantics."

Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS).

2020

B. Hie, H. Cho, B. DeMeo, B. Bryson, and B. Berger. "Geometric sketching of single-cell data preserves transcriptional structure." 2019 Research in Computational Molecular Biology (RECOMB). **Preprints** R. Singh\*, **B. Hie\***, A. Narayan, and B. Berger. (\*Equal contribution.) "Metric learning enables synthesis of heterogeneous single-cell modalities." bioRxiv, DOI: 10.1101/834549. 2020 C. Itoh, C. Gunnarson, G. Babunovic, A. Nibasumba, Ngomu A., M. Wadsworth III, T. Hughes II, S. Solomon, B. Hie, B. Berger, A. Shalek, S. Fortune, and B. Bryson. "GM-CSF differentiation of human monocytes stabilizes macrophage state via oxidative signaling." bioRxiv, DOI: 10.1101/2020.09.29.318352. 2020 B. Hie, H. Cho, B. Bryson, and B. Berger. "Coexpression enables multi-study cellular trajectories of development and disease." bioRxiv, DOI: 10.1101/719088. 2020 **PATENTS** B. Hie, B. Bryson, and B. Berger. "Language modeling for viral escape prediction." US Patent App. 63/049,676. 2020 H. Ma, **B. Hie**, and B. Ni. "Quality control in electronic nose sensing." US Patent App. 16/738,586. 2020 H. Ma, **B. Hie**, and B. Ni. "Analyte classification using electronic noses." US Patent App. 16/737,648. 2020 B. Hie, B. Berger, and H. Cho. "Realizing private and practical pharmacological collaboration." US Patent App. 16/235,606. 2019 **SOFTWARE** Scanorama, Primary Developer https://github.com/brianhie/scanorama, 32k+ PyPI downloads Geosketch, Primary Developer https://github.com/brianhie/geosketch, 14k+ PyPI downloads

#### **TEACHING**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA Teaching Assistant, Algorithms for Inference (6.438) Graduate-level course on statistical inference with probabilistic graphical models. Responsible for preparing exams/assignments, leading discussion sections, and holding office hours.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

#### Mentorship

Andy Tso, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, M.Eng. student

#### **Peer Review**

**Bioinformatics** 

Cell

Cell Systems

GigaScience

Conference on Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB)

Nature Biotechnology

PLoS Computational Biology

Conference on Research in Computational Molecular Biology (RECOMB)

## **Program Committee Member**

NeurIPS 2020 Workshop on Machine Learning in Structural Biology

## **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Total Funding: \$158,400 (direct costs)

National Merit Scholarship Finalist

# Department of Defense (DoD) National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship Program

| AWARDS   |              |  |  |
|--|--------------|--|--|
| RECOMB/National Science Foundation Travel Fellowship Award                     | 2019         |  |  |
| Hoefer Prize for Writing in the Major, Nominated, Stanford University          | 2016         |  |  |
| Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honors Society   | 2015-Present |  |  |
| 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         |  |  |

2019-2022

2012