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PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Ellington, Caleb, Ben Lengerich, Thomas B.K. Watkins, Jiekun Yang, Manolis Kellis, Eric P. Xing. **"Sample-Specific Contextualized Graphical Models Using Clinical and Molecular Data Reveal Transcriptional Network Heterogeneity Across 7000 Tumors."**

- [Platform Talk](#), Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory – Biological Data Science, 2022.
- Poster Presentation, Machine Learning for Health, 2022.
- Poster Presentation, Graph Learning for Industrial Applications NeurIPS Workshop, 2022.

Lengerich, Ben, Caleb Ellington, Bryon Aragam, Eric P. Xing, and Manolis Kellis. **"NOTMAD: Estimating Bayesian Networks with Sample-Specific Structures and Parameters."** ArXiv:2111.01104 [Cs, Stat], November 1, 2021. <http://arxiv.org/abs/2111.01104>.

Chen, Xinshi, Haoran Sun, Caleb Ellington, Eric Xing, and Le Song. **"Multi-Task Learning of Order-Consistent Causal Graphs."** In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 34:11083–95. Curran Associates, Inc., 2021.
<https://proceedings.neurips.cc/paper/2021/hash/5c3a3b139a11689e0bc55abd95e20e39-Abstract.html>.

Lengerich, Benjamin J, Mark E Nunnally, Yin Aphinyanaphongs, Caleb Ellington, and Rich Caruana. **"Automated Interpretable Discovery of Heterogeneous Treatment Effectiveness: A COVID-19 Case Study."** J. Biomed. Inform., April 30, 2022, 104086.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbi.2022.104086>.

SOFTWARE



Contextualized
Heterogeneous Modeling Toolbox

I created contextualized.ml (repo: <https://github.com/cnellington/Contextualized>) as an sklearn-style machine learning toolbox to help informaticians, statisticians, and ML researchers across domains infer models, distributions, and functions with context-specific parameters.

POSITIONS

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| - Ph.D. Student in Computational Biology | Sept 2020 - Present |
| <i>Statistical Artificial Intelligence and Integrative Genomics (SAILING) Lab, Carnegie Mellon University</i> | Pittsburgh, PA |
| - Research Assistant | Jan 2019 - June 2020 |
| <i>Baker Lab, Institute for Protein Design, University of Washington</i> | Seattle, WA |
| - Software Engineer Intern | June 2019 - Aug 2019 |
| <i>Indeed.com</i> | Austin, TX |
| - Research Assistant | Jan 2017 - Dec 2018 |
| <i>Klavins Lab, Automated Bio-Fabrication Facility, University of Washington</i> | Seattle, WA |
| - Biomedical Engineering Consultant | Aug 2018 - Sept 2018 |
| <i>Dhulikhel Hospital / Bioengineering Department, University of Washington</i> | Dhulikhel, Nepal |
| - Software Engineer Intern | June 2018 - Aug 2018 |
| <i>Amazon.com</i> | Seattle, WA |
| - Software Engineer Intern | June 2017 - Aug 2017 |
| <i>Inscripta Biotechnology</i> | Boulder, CO |

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Ph.D. Student in Computational Biology

Advised by Eric P. Xing

Coursework: Probabilistic Graphical Models, Machine Learning, Intermediate Statistics, Convex Optimization, Computational Genomics, Advanced Genetics, Computational Structural Biology, Cellular Systems Biology, Lab Methods

Sept 2020 - Present
Pittsburgh, PA

University of Washington

B.Sc. Computer Science

B.Sc. Bioengineering (Honors)

Sept 2016 - Jun 2020
Seattle, WA

AWARDS

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- **GRFP Honorable Mention (NSF)** Apr 2020
Project: *Deep Generative Models for Ligand-based Protein Design*
 - **Fulbright Semifinalist (Fulbright)** Apr 2020
Project: *Freelance Ambulances: Integrating Nepal's private transportation with emergency services*
 - **Levinson Emerging Scholar (Washington Research Foundation)** Sept 2019
Awarded to highly motivated students demonstrating exceptional communication skills pursuing advanced bioscience careers.
 - **Husky 100 Awardee (University of Washington)** Mar, 2019
The Husky 100 recognizes 100 students (graduate and undergraduate) from all UW campuses who are making the most of their time at UW.
 - **Mary Gates Research Scholar (University of Washington)** Feb, 2018
 - Project: *Data-Driven Genetic Engineering with Hydra vulgaris*
 - Awarded for strong academic merit, good mentor relationships, intensity of research experience, and long-term impact of the proposed project.

TEACHING & MENTORING

Teaching Assistant, 10-701 Ph.D. Introduction to Machine Learning

Instructors: Henry Chai, Maria Balkan

Jan 2022 - May 2022
Carnegie Mellon University

Teaching Assistant, 02-319 Genetics and Epigenetics of the Brain

Instructors: Andreas Pfenning

Aug 2021 - Dec 2021
Carnegie Mellon University

Current Mentees

- Alyssa Lee, Computational Biology BS Student, CMU
- Jannik Deuschel, Machine Learning MS Student, KIT
- Ding Bai, Machine Learning Ph.D. Student, MBZUAI
- Tianjun Yao, Machine Learning Ph.D. Student, MBZUAI
- Juwayni Lucman, Artificial Intelligence MS Student, MBZUAI
- Wesley Lo, Mathematics BS Student, MIT

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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- **Admissions Committee**, CMU-Pitt Computational Biology Ph.D. Program January, 2023
 - **Junior Chair**, Round-table: Injecting Domain Knowledge into DL Models, ML4H December, 2022
 - **Reviewer**, Machine Learning for Health (ML4H) September, 2022
 - **Reviewer**, Time Series for Health (NeurIPS workshop) September, 2022

LEADERSHIP, VOLUNTEERING, & FUNDRAISING

Department Senator & CMU Representative CMU Graduate Student Association

Founding director of the CMU x Pitt CompBio Hackathon

Sept 2021 - Current
Pittsburgh, PA

President, Iron Phi, Phi Delta Theta, Washington Alpha

Fundraised \$49,000 for the Service for Sight Foundation

Fundraised \$1,000 for the Live Like Lou Foundation

Nov 2017 - Nov 2019
Seattle, WA

Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America

Construction of the U. Texas Field Laboratory's Research Pier

Nov 2015

Austin, TX

Run-to-the-Sun 90 Mile Overnight Relay, Beyond Batten Foundation

\$500 to the Beyond Batten Foundation

Apr 2015

Austin, TX

MEDIA (Available on my [YouTube](#), linked at calebellington.com)

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| - Contextualized Graphical Models Reveal Sample-Specific Transcriptional Networks for 7000 Tumors (CSHL) | Nov 2022 |
| - Multi-task Learning of Consistent-Order Causal Graphs (NeurIPS) | Dec 2021 |
| - Mixed Feelings: Recognizing, Representing, and Interpolating Human Emotion | Dec 2020 |
| - Deep Learning for Contact Prediction in <i>de novo</i> Protein Models (UW Research Symposium) | May 2020 |
| - Bioscience Python Tutorials 1-4: Protein Sequence Alignment CLI (YouTube) | May 2020 |

SKILLS

Programming: Python (9 yrs), Java (7 yrs), C++ (2 yrs), PyTorch (3 yrs), Tensorflow/Keras (2 yrs), MySQL (2 yrs), React.js (2 yrs), C, Ruby, Django, Git, Superset, AWS, Jira, Linux/Unix, Bash

Languages: Intermediate I Chinese