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PROJECTS

Protein Domain Annotations Database SPA (CSUN Lab Volunteer)

angular, typescript, c#, entity framework core, azure sql

📅 Jan 2022 — May 2022

- Full stack web app that expedites the workflow of structural bioinformatics researchers' by combining information from many protein databases into a new and easily searchable database.
- Interpreted domain specialist's ideas into specification for the UI and novel database schema
- Deployed **the front end** on a remote server, the back end on Azure App Services, and the database on Azure SQL Server
- Angular was used for the client side and with C# for server side with object relational mapping via entity framework core

GPU Enabled Protein Conformational Sampling (CSUN Lab Volunteer)

python, numpy, pycuda, cuda c/c++

📅 Sep 2020 — Dec 2021

- Developed **boilerplate app** to run patented molecular dynamics simulation in parallel on GPUs using PyCUDA/CUDA framework
- Refactored legacy, hard coded C++ structural protein input parsers into OOP generated, scalable, strongly typed data structures
- Presented in semesterly research and literature talks/seminars

ML Assisted Wildfire Prediction in CA (Senior Project)

python, numpy, pandas, kernal, gdal, rasterio, javascript, d3.js, geojson

📅 Aug 2020 — Jun 2021

- Data preprocessing engineer, web developer, and project manager
- Predicted fires in CA with 93% accuracy using machine learning and raw geospatial data
- Co-led **initiative** to increase spatial granularity of analysis regions by a factor of 60 by sub-setting data into counties using image masking
- Created interactive map SPA to visualize past spatiotemporal fire data
- Data Driven Documents (D3.js) was used to make SVG drawing from GeoJSON data of CA county boundaries
- Navigated group through complex analysis in unfamiliar geospatial data and frameworks by meticulously notating lengthy meetings, delegating tasks, and loosely organizing sprints
- One of two presenters in **senior design showcase**

EDUCATION

B.S. Computer Science

California State University Northridge

📅 Aug 2018 — Dec 2021

Lower Division Courses

Santa Monica Community College

📅 Aug 2014 — Jun 2018

EXPERIENCE

Student Researcher

Computer Science Lab, CSUN

📅 June 2021 — August 2021

- Conducted literature review and ran experiments of workload balancing algorithms
- Created multi-dimensional plots for **poster** and symposium

STEM Tutor

Santa Monica College STEM Program

📅 Jan 2017 — Jun 2018

- Responsible for 11 undergraduate computer science, chemistry, and math courses
- Often helped ~2-4 students concurrently

Summer Research Intern

Electrical Engineering Lab, UCLA

📅 Jun 2016 — Aug 2016

- Analyzed medical instrument image data using MATLAB and presented in a poster session as well as a symposium of ~300

SKILLS

Proficient: C++ Python
Moderate proficiency: Javascript Java
C C# Angular HTML/CSS
Familiar: Node.js Bash Unit testing
Git Jira NumPy Latex

AWARDS

- **CSUN AI Jam** – Summer Accelerator program offer (\$3000) **Presentation** 2019
- **Best Science Poster** : SMC Global Citizenship (\$1000 group prize) 2015

PARTICIPATION

- Raspberry Pi/Pico Hobby Projects 2022
- **Hackathon** : Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology 2021
- CSUN Accessibility **Hackathon** 2018
- Independent Study: Built Hand Powered Centrifuge with Partner 2016