Dieinison Braga

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Expertise

I'm a PhD Candidate in Data Visualization at PUC-Rio. Interested in human-data interaction. I combine techniques and methods from visualization and human-computer interaction to support sensemaking and help derive actionable insights from data.

Visualization	Data Science	User experience	Research	Coding	Teaching
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Education

2024 - ongoing **PhD in Informatics**

Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio), Brazil

Dissertation: (ongoing) Advisor: Simone Barbosa

2019 - 2023 MSc in Informatics

Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio), Brazil

Thesis: Visualizing Data Facts: A Comparative Study of Annotation Techniques and Their Impact on Users' Perceptions (advised by Simone Barbosa)

2014 - 2018 BSc in Computer Science

Federal University of Ceará (UFC), Brazil

Title: Estimativa da Evapotranspiração de Referência para Fins de Manejo da Irrigação (advised by Ticiana Linhares Coelho da Silva)

Professional Experience

Since Oct 2019 R&D Scientist

PUC-Rio, ExACTa Lab, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Contribute to industry-relevant research projects in interdisciplinary teams. Develop product features and conduct mixed-methods UX research, analysis and client reporting. Provide consulting on data visualization design to enhance analytical components.

2018 - 2019 Data Scientist

UFC & OSF Digital

Conducted research in computer vision, with a focus on image classification and object detection. Published results in the International Conference on Machine Learning and Data Mining.

2017 - 2018 Software Developer Intern

OSF Digital

Developed content management systems.

Teaching & Training Held lectures and tutored students

Since Mar 2023

Professor

Central Continuing Education (CCE), PUC-Rio

Courses: Software Engineering and Full-Stack Development (graduate) Responsible for teaching and mentoring postgraduate students, and supervising capstone projects, supporting them in developing practical work in full-stack and software architecture tracks.

Mar 2023 - Jun 2023

Teaching Assistant

CTC4002 Modelagem e Programação (undergraduate) Supported lectures, lab sessions, and graded assignments.

Service Student Volunteer (SBBD 2018, INTERACT 2025)

Languages I am fluent in Portuguese and English.

Publications

- Braga, D., Lima, R., Santos, J., Oliveira, G., Silva, M. & Barbosa, S. Arcano: Generating Data Questions to Support Non-Expert Analysts in Hypothesis **Formulation.** INTERACT (to appear): Demo paper.
- Braga, D., Silva, M., Lima, R., Barbosa, G., & Barbosa, S. VisStoryMaker: supporting non-expert analysts in visually exploring datasets and communicating insights with visual annotations and data stories. Proc. XXIII Brazilian Symposium on Human Factors in Computing Systems (1-15).
 - Awarded the Innovation Award (Selo de Inovação), Brazilian Computer Society, 2022.
- Rodrigues, A., Barbosa, G., Lima, R., Braga, D., Lopes, H., & Barbosa, S. Revisiting visualization task taxonomies: specifying functions for the data transformations **stage**. In International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction (655-671).
- Braga, D., SS, L., Souza, C., & da Silva, T. Handbags classification model via deep learning. In International Conference on Machine Learning and Data Mining (1-11).
- Braga, D., da Silva, T., Rocha, A., Coutinho, G., Magalhães, R. P., Guerra, P. & Barbosa, S. (2019). Time series forecasting to support irrigation management. Journal of Information and Data Management, (66-80).
- Braga, D., da Silva, T., Rocha, A., Coutinho, G., Magalhaes, R., Guerra, P., & de Macêdo, J. Time series forecasting for purposes of irrigation management process. In Simpósio Brasileiro de Banco de Dados (217-222).
 - Received Best Short Paper Award, Brazilian Symposium on Databases (SBBD), 2018.