David Merrell

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Education

PhD Computer Science

Sep 2016 - Present

University of Wisconsin - Madison

Current PhD student interested in AI, machine learning, and optimization.

Research:

Weighted Model Integration (research assistant) Aws Albarghouthi, Loris D'Antoni David Page, Ron Stewart Deep Learning on Transcriptome Data

Coursework:

CS 524 (Intro to Optimization) AΒ CS 540 (Intro to AI) Α CS 761 (Machine Learning Theory) Α CS 704 (Principles of Programming Languages) Α CS 703 (Program Verification and Synthesis) Α CS 577 (Intro to Algorithms) Α CS 760 (Machine Learning) Α CS 726 (Nonlinear Optimization) BC

BS Mathematics, cum laude

Apr 2014

Brigham Young University—Physics Minor—GPA 3.9

Coursework: Real analysis, matrix analysis/linear algebra, probability, numerical methods, ODEs, PDEs, complex analysis, computational physics, quantum mechanics, classical mechanics, abstract algebra.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

David Merrell, Aws Albarghouthi, Loris D'Antoni. Weighted Model Integration with Orthogonal Transformations. IJCAI 2017.

Work Experience

RAND Corporation

Sep 2014 - Mar 2016

Full Time Research Assistantship. I built software for operations research projects.

Sandia National Laboratories

Summer 2013; Summer 2014

Two internships. I developed heterogeneous material representations for the ALEGRA shock/MHD finite element code.

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

Summer 2012

Internship. I characterized the performance of a computer vision algorithm.

Technical Skills

| Python | | C++ | • | MATLAB | | Git |
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| Linux | bash | | R | ₽T _E X | | Mathematica |

Service

Student ACM (SACM)—Social Chair

Sep 2017—Aug 2018

Planned and publicized events for the Madison student chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery.

Wisconsin Welcome Weekend 2018—Co-Chair

Spring 2018

Co-chaired a committee of 10 student volunteers. We organized a weekend of activities for prospective CS graduate students visiting Madison.

Student ACM (SACM)—President

Aug 2018—present

I lead a group of 20 volunteers. We organize activities for CS graduate students. I recruit volunteers, give them responsibilities, and Manage By Walking Around (MBWA).