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Education

Ph.D. Student, Computer Science University of California, San Diego 9/2018-Present San Diego, CA

B.S. WITH HIGH HONORS, Computer Science

University of Maryland GPA: 3.81/4.0

9/2014-5/2018 College Park, MD

Refereed Publications

 J. S. Meisel, D. J. Nasko et al. (36 authors.) "Current progress and future opportunities in applications of bioinformatics for biodefense and pathogen detection: Report from the Winter Mid-Atlantic Microbiome Meet-up, College Park, MD January 10th, 2018." Microbiome, 6:197, 2018.

Conference Presentations

1. M. Fedarko, J. Ghurye, T. Treangen, and M. Pop. "MetagenomeScope: Web-Based Hierarchical Visualization of Metagenome Assembly Graphs." Poster presented at the 25th International Symposium on Graph Drawing and Network Visualization, Boston, MA, USA, 2017.

Research Experience GRADUATE STUDENT

9/2018–Present

San Diego, CA

University of California, San Diego
• Advisor: Rob Knight

• Assisting in the visualization of metagenomic data.

RESEARCH INTERN

6/2016-8/2018

College Park, MD

University of Maryland

• Advisors: Mihai Pop, Todd Treangen

- Designed MetagenomeScope, an interactive visualization tool for metagenome assembly graphs.
- MetagenomeScope's project page is available online at https://marbl.github.io/MetagenomeScope/.

Teaching Experience Course Assistant

7/2018–8/2018 Woods Hole, MA

Marine Biological Laboratory

• Courses: Workshop on Molecular Evolution (MOLE); Strategies and Techniques for Analyzing Microbial Population Structures (STAMPS)

- Assisted with basic logistics for both courses.
- Helped students during some of the "laboratory" sections of the STAMPS course, including tutorials on Unix and Git.
- Prepared and gave a roughly hour-long presentation (including a tutorial) on MetagenomeScope during the STAMPS course as part of Todd Treangen's session on "Graph-based variant detection and strain-level analyses."

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

8/2016-12/2016

University of Maryland Dept. of Computer Science

College Park, MD

• Course: CMSC 330 ("Organization of Programming Languages")

- Assisted students with coursework (Ruby, OCaml, Prolog; grammars, regular languages, semantics, security) in office hours and on an online discussion board.
- Designed and graded quiz and exam questions.

Professional Experience

STUDENT STAFF WRITER

1/2015-9/2017

University of Maryland Dept. of Computer Science College Park, MD

- Composed and edited articles for the department's website and other media.
- Assisted with the logistics of various department outreach functions.

STUDENT INTERN

5/2013–8/2014 Columbia, MD

Axiometric

• Designed a graphical interface to an RF propagation model to assist clients in

- planning deployments of mesh networks of utility meters.
- Aided in the creation and maintenance of other utility meter deployment management software.

INTERN SOFTWARE ENGINEER

7/2012 - 8/2012

Battlefield Telecommunications Systems

Columbia, MD

- Designed a web interface to monitor the connection strength of radio devices.
- Helped integrate this functionality into the company's existing network management user interface.

Honors and Awards

1. University of Maryland CMNS Dean's List Fall 2014	l–Spr.	2018
2. University of Maryland Honors College University Honors Citation		2017
3. Rita Colwell Travel Fellowship		2017
4. Travel Award, U. of Michigan "Explore Graduate Studies" Workshop		2017
5. John D. Gannon Endowed Scholarship		2017
6. Corporate Partners in Computing Scholarship	2016,	2017
7. Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society		2016
8. Northrop Grumman Scholarship for Employees' Children		2014
9. University of Maryland Dean's Scholarship		2014