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Education

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

GPA: 3.35/4.0

B.S. WITH HIGH HONORS, Computer Science University of Maryland

9/2014-5/2018 College Park, MD

GPA: 3.81/4.0

Refereed Publications

- 3. Sanders, J. G., Nurk, S., ..., **Fedarko, M.**, ..., and Knight, R. (31 authors, 2019). "Optimizing sequencing protocols for leaderboard metagenomics by combining long and short reads." *Genome Biology*, 20(1), 226.
- 2. Ghurye, J., Treangen, T., **Fedarko, M.**, Hervey, W. J., and Pop, M. (2019). "MetaCarvel: linking assembly graph motifs to biological variants." *Genome Biology*, 20(1), 174.
- Meisel, J. S., Nasko, D. J., ..., Fedarko, M., ..., and Treangen, T. J. (36 authors, 2018). "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(1), 197.

Preprints

Fedarko, M. W., Martino, C., Morton, J. T., González, A., Rahman, G., Marotz, C. A., Minich, J. J., Allen, E. A., and Knight, R. (2019). "Visualizing 'omic feature rankings and log-ratios using Qurro." bioRxiv.

Poster Presentations

- Fedarko, M. W., Martino, C., Morton, J. T., González, A., Marotz, C. A., Minich, J. J., Allen, E. A., and Knight, R. (2019). "Visualizing 'omic feature rankings and log-ratios using Qurro." Presented at the 2019 CRISP Annual Review, Charlottesville, VA, USA.
- Fedarko, M., Ghurye, J., Treangen, T., and Pop, M. (2017; 2018). "Metagenome-Scope: Web-Based Hierarchical Visualization of Metagenome Assembly Graphs."
 Presented at the 25th International Symposium on Graph Drawing and Network Visualization, Boston, MA, USA; and at the 2018 Winter Mid-Atlantic Microbiome Meet-up (M³), College Park, MD, USA.

$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Research} \\ \textbf{Experience} \end{array}$

GRADUATE STUDENT

9/2018-Present

San Diego, CA

- University of California, San Diego
 Advisor: Rob Knight
 - Designed Qurro, an interactive visualization tool for feature "rankings" and log-ratios: see https://biocore.github.io/qurro/.
 - Assisting with software and analysis projects throughout the Knight Lab.

RESEARCH INTERN
University of Maryland

6/2016-8/2018College Park, MD

• Advisors: Mihai Pop, Todd Treangen

• Designed MetagenomeScope, an interactive visualization tool for metagenome assembly graphs: see https://marbl.github.io/MetagenomeScope/.

Teaching Experience

Course Assistant

7/2018-8/2018

Marine Biological Laboratory

Woods Hole, MA

- Courses: Workshop on Molecular Evolution (MOLE); Strategies and Techniques for Analyzing Microbial Population Structures (STAMPS)
- Assisted with basic logistics for both courses (i.e. mostly making coffee).
- 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

- uter 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

Axiometric

Columbia, MD

- 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	l 2014–Spr.	2018
2. University of Maryland Honors College University Honors Citation	on	2017
3. Rita Colwell Travel Fellowship		2017
4. Travel Award, U. of Michigan "Explore Graduate Studies" Work	shop	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