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Education

University of Queensland, Queensland, Australia

Feb 2016 – now

- Master of Bioinformatics.
- Current GPA: 6.6/7
- Courses: Advanced Bioinformatics (7/7), Research Project A (7/7), Concepts in Bioinformatics (7/7), Directed Study in Molecular Genetics (6/7), Advanced Protein Technology (6/7).

Peking University(PKU), Beijing, China

September 2011 – July 2015

- Bachelor of Science, Physics
- Physics Major GPA: 86/100
- Graduate Thesis: 94/100

 A neuron-muscle circuit model of C.elegans locomotion.
- Core Courses: Topics on Nonlinear Physics (Graduate Level 84/100), System and Computational Neuroscience (Graduate Level 86/100), Introduction to Biophysics (Graduate Level 87.7/100), Quantum Mechanics(II) (Graduate Level), Quantum Theory of Many-Body Systems (Graduate Level 93/100), Group Theory(Graduate Level), Method of Mathematical Physics (89/100), Thermodynamics and Statistics (86/100), Numerical Methods (81/100), Fundamentals of Electronic Circuits and Experiments (89/100).

Research Experience

Research project, Institute for Molecular Bioscience

2016.12 - Current

Advisor: Dr.Minh Duc Cao

◆ Building a base caller for MinION Sequencer (Oxford Nanopore Technologies) using Recurrent Neural Network with LSTM+CTC, achieved 5 percent accuracy improvement in 1D reads prediction. Program available in GitHub: https://github.com/stardust-t/RNN_Nanopore.git

Research Project, Queensland Brain Institute, University of Queensland, Brisbane

2016.3 - Current

Advisor: Prof. Geoffrey J. Goodhill, University of Queensland

Constructing a program for projecting visual stimulation with conformal transformation to correctly presented image on a convex surface, used for zebrafish tectum research. The program is available online in GitHub: https://github.com/stardust-t/ZerbrafishProject. ◆ Numerical simulation of spontaneous activity using I&F model for assembly searching in zebrafish tectum, developing algorithm for functional connectivity reconstruction using *Regularization* method under scale free network assumption.

Internship, Center for Brain science, Harvard University, Boston

2015.7 - 2015.12

Advisor: Prof. Aravinthan D.T. Samuel, Harvard University

- ◆ Participated in the research project in studying thermotaxis in C.elegans with tracking and multi-neuron fluorescent marked. Mainly focus on the AFD neuron and the downstream AIY, RIM neurons.
- ◆ Responsible for cross & keeping the worm, experiment using a spinning disk confocal microscope and the afterwards data acquisition & processing with combination of ImageJ (Miji) and Matlab.
- ◆ Testified and confirmed the derivation dependence between AFD neuron and temperature, and then designed and conducted the experiment to measure the parameters of the AFD-temperature relationship with using different shapes of temperature sequence.

Research Assistant, Center for Bioinformatics, Peking University, Beijing

2012.7. - 2015.6

Advisor: Dr. Louis Tao, Dr. Liu Dong

- Project I: Locomotion and PH sensoring mechanism research in C.elegans with tracking system.
 - ◆ Marked GCaMP6 into the C.elegans ASH, AWC, ASE neurons to testify and determine the neuron responsible for PH sensoring.
 - ◆ Developed a neuro-muscle model of C.elegans motor system and proved the theoretical prediction of gait adaptation in C.elegans
 - ◆ Recorded and analyzed long-term locomotion parameter of C.elegans by using a tracking and photographing system.
 - ◆ Developed a visualization tools with openGL to describe and simplify the neuron network in C.elegans, and enabled the tools to search the whole neural pathway through any two given neurons.
- Project II: Building and developing the high-precision and fast reaction tracking System for C.elegans.
 - ◆ Built a tracking system as one of the contributors, which could realize high-precision (accuracy below 1 micron) tracking and photographing and simultaneous data collection & processing
 - ◆ Developed a high-robust and high-precision algorithm using in C.elegans center line extraction with an improved "snake" model.

Internship, Biodynamics Optical Imaging Center (BIOPIC)

2014.3-2014.10

Advisor: Prof. Huang Yanyi, Peking University

- ◆ Participating in designed, fabricated and tested a micro-fluid chip for fast generating stable linear gradient field.
- ◆ Participating in designed, fabricated and tested a micro-fluid chip to achieve temporal change separately in 6 rooms, realizing record the temporal responses of C.elegans up to 6 worms at the same time.
- ◆ Developed a Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) module for the micro fluid chips fluid field calculation in Fluent, which could draw the flow field from the CAD design sketch.

Honors and Awards

- The 1st Prize at 27th Chinese Physics Olympiad, Zhejiang Province (rank 1/1232 in theory part, rank 5/1232 overall) (2011)
- The Silver Medal at 27th Chinese Physics Olympiad, Finals (2011)
- The 1st Prize at 29th Parts of the national college students physics competition (2012)

Skills

Wet lab work

- Adept in molecule cloning for fluorescence marking (from Primer design to microinjection).
- Adept in doing microscope experiment, including confocal and 2-photon microscope.
- Adept in crossing and keeping worm.

Programming

- Adept in Matlab, well trained in numerical simulation, imaging processing & analyzing, optimization, hybrid programming with C/C++.
- Adept in C++, acquainted in GPU programing with openGL (visualization).
- Adept in Python, acquainted in deep-learning framework Tensorflow and Caffe.
- OS experience: Linux (Ubuntu) and MS-Windows.
- Occasional user of Fortran95, Mathematics.

Software used

■ Matlab, Anaconda, LabVIEW, Latex, PyMOL, Fluent (ANSYS), Auto CAD, Origin, Office, Primer Premier, DNA Man.

Language ability

Chinese (Mother Language), English (Fluent), Spanish (basic), German (In progress)

Course Projects

Group Leader, Full Mark, Workshop in Concepts in Bioinformatics BINF6000

Python programming for sequence analysis and phylogenetic analysis

- ◆ Access database with python and sequences alignment.
- ◆ Phylogenetic tree construction using **Unweighted Pair Group Method** with Arithmetic Mean (UPGMA) and protein family determination.
- ◆ Ancestral protein sequences reconstructed based on ancestral sequence reconstruction (ASR) methods and evolutionary models, protein weighting matrix constructed based on DNA codons and a modified **Sankoff algorithm** of ASR.

Group Leader, Ranking Top 1 in final project contest in Methods of Mathematical Physics

2012.10.-2013.1

- Numerical simulation and theoretical analysis of energy level in hydrogen atom
 - ◆ Solved the asymptotic behavior of radial equation (confluent hypergeometric) and verified it with the numerical simulation.
 - ◆ Derived the analytical solution of the confluent hypergeometric which truncated by certain quantum number.
 - ◆ Studied the ionization state, solved asymptotic behavior and the phase shifting analytic expression.

Group Leader, Ranking Top 1 in winter project contest in Introduction of Biophysics

2013.11.-2014.3

- Multi-scale Neuron network models' derivation and numerical simulation
 - ◆ Deduced and conducted the numerical simulation of H-H, Integrate-and-Fire models, Firing-Rate models.
 - ◆ Applied LIF model in studying completely random connection neuron network.

Hobbies

- Proficient in Piano playing, accomplished the Piano grade 9 in 2005, Certificate from Central Conservatory of Music, China(CCOM), learned since 6 years old.
- Skillful in saxophone, learned since middle school
- A not-so-bad tennis player, learned since college.