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Education

Brown University (3.9/4.0)

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Biology,

Providence, RI

Expected Graduation: May 2022

- **Related Coursework:** Computational Biology, Computer Vision, Software Engineering, Experimental VR, Practical System Skills, Linear Algebra, Honors Statistical Inference
- **Fall 2020:** Deep Learning, 3D Computer Vision Using Deep Learning, Scientific Computing in C++, Physiology
- **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, Dart, SQL, HTML/CSS, Bash, Javascript, Swift, R, C++
- **Libraries/Frameworks:** Node.js, Angular.js, Android Studio, Flutter, Pandas, Numpy, Tensorflow, Sklearn, PyTorch
- **Scholarships:** Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholar, Merck ACS Scholar

Work Experience

Computational Biology (CSCI 1810)

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Providence, RI

September 2020 - Present

- Iterated upon course content, graded assignments, conducted TA hours, and set up occasional labs
- Worked with the Ethics TA program to develop new CS ethics content for both this course and the department in general

Wessel Lab at Brown University

Undergraduate Researcher

Providence, RI

July 2017 - Present

- Researched the effect of Sea Star Wasting Disease on the embryonic development of Sea Star and Sea Urchin
- Developed pipeline to search and find new genetic motifs in the RNA of germ-line cells using Python and the Knuth-Morris-Pratt algorithm
- Co-authored an abstract presented in Developmental Biology of the Sea Urchin Conference titled: "Bisphenol A exposure differentially affects echinoderm embryogenesis. Developmental Biology of the Sea Urchin"

Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard

Undergraduate Researcher

Boston, MA

June 2020 - August 2020

- Researched effect of mutations in DNA repair genes on whole genome structural variants
- Developed algorithm using Python and R and analyzed data using various statistical tests
- Combined data from several databases including ICGC, PCAWG, Uniprot, Ensembl, and TCGA

Google

SPS Program Participant

San Francisco, CA

June 2020 - August 2020

- Worked with team to develop a real-time voting app using Java and HTML/CSS
- Tested app with several Googlers and gave presentation to several people in the Translate team

Protein Data Bank of Europe

Software Engineering and Bioinformatics Intern

Cambridge, UK

June 2019 - August 2019

- Developed a pipeline to superpose protein structures in a UniprotKB Accession, cluster the proteins based on structure similarity, and show them visually on PyMol. Now deployed on PDBE-KB protein pages.
- Designed Algorithm using Python and SQL and analyzed data using Hierarchical Clustering.
- Compiled the algorithm on over 47,000 Uniprot Accessions which included over 350,000 PDBE entries
- Co-authored and published a paper to Nucleic Acids Research titled "PDBE: Improved findability of Macromolecular structure data in the PDB"

Software Projects

Apollo | A Speech-to-Text Note-Taking App for Doctors

<https://github.com/hossam-zaki/apollo> | <http://apollohealth.herokuapp.com/>

- Utilized Google's Speech Recognition Library to capture appointment transcript, and used Knuth-Morris-Pratt to search for relevant details
- Encrypted patient data and appointment transcript using Google Tink
- User-tested with medical students at Brown Medical School, and doctors at Rhode Island Hospital

Computational Analysis of Sea Urchin Transcriptome

https://github.com/hossam-zaki/Sea_Urchin_Transcriptome_Analysis

- Developed pipeline to search for known genetic motifs in the transcriptome of the Sea Urchin, as well as discovering new motifs
- Implemented Knuth Morris Pratt Algorithm to linear-time pattern recognition as well as a Suffix Trie to search for the longest most common substring
- Currently developing a machine learning model to search for transcription factors

X-Ray Classification

<https://github.com/hossam-zaki/X-Ray-Classification>

- Built a neural network to classify X-Ray images in NIH Dataset and added in COVID-19 X-Rays
- Achieved an average of 65% True Positive Rate
- Utilized Tensorflow and Keras frameworks

Protein Structure Clustering through Superposition

<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/pdbe/pdbe-kb/proteins/P00698>

- Built a tool to cluster proteins based on structural similarity, now used 5,000+ times by labs all over the world