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EDUCATION

Columbia University in the City of New York

New York, New York Bachelor of Arts, Double Major in Computer Science and Cognitive Science Sep 2021 - May 2025

o **GPA**: 4.07/4.00 (Dean's List)

- o Relevant Coursework: Artificial Intelligence, Advanced Programming, Data Structures in Java, Computational Linear Algebra, Discrete Mathematics, Calculus III
- o Activities and Societies: Application Development Initiative (Committee), Columbia Undergraduate Science Journal (Editor), Columbia Science Review (Editor), Office of Disability Services (Note-Taker), Intramural Volleyball

EXPERIENCE

Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

New York, New York

Research Assistant

December 2019 - Present

- o Spearhead a team of 6 MDs, research scientists, and engineers in Professor Kuan-lin Huang's Computational Omics Lab and implement 4 different machine learning algorithms in Python to predict COVID-19 diagnosis, culminating in a first-author publication in Nature Scientific Reports.
- Leverage over 150,000 rows of longitudinal data taken from the largest Alzheimer's database in the US to predict mortality in dementia patients and identify the key clinical features associated with mortality across 8 dementia subtypes.

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

New York, New York

Software Engineering Intern

June 2022 - August 2022

- o Built a command-line interface tool, a scalable plugin system, and a code generator to automate access to MSK resources and code generation for thousands of developers across the Digital, Informatics & Technology Solutions (DigITs) division.
- Worked with 4 software and QA engineers on Team Polaris to design, build, and deploy a clinician-facing Connected Care Dashboard application, focusing on front-end development in React, CI/CD, unit testing, and E2E automation testing.
- Published blog posts and a whitepaper on live collaborative coding, administered UI enhancements, and facilitated automated deployment for Project Theano, an open-source project providing the foundation for web apps across MSK.
- Won a 40+ competitor hackathon proposing a plan for transforming the MSK caregiver experience to MSK leadership.

The Data Science Institute at Columbia University

New York, New York

Data Science Institute (DSI) Scholar

September 2021 - August 2022

- o Selected by Dr. Daniel Freedberg to first-author a research paper identifying associations between specific antibiotics and risk for C. difficile infection, wielding a MarketScan database of over 40 million unique patient records.
- \circ Utilized SAS software to preprocess, visualize, and analyze over 200 million antibiotic prescriptions from inpatient, outpatient, and pharmaceutical claims data spanning 12 years.

AI Camp

Palo Alto, California (Remote)

July 2021 - December 2021

Software Engineering Intern

- o Oversaw 5 members in AI Camp's inaugural Talent Incubator cohort to create a Gmail Add-On that filters college emails.
- o Designed a Python web scraper to fetch data of 4,454 colleges from a college search website, parsed the data into a SQLite database, and implemented sorting logic that reduced email filtering time by over 40%.
- Wrote and published a Medium article with 60+ claps on behalf of the cohort detailing the internship experience.

Projects

- MSK CLI A command-line interface tool with plugin and code generation functionality for internal use by developers at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, reducing overhead time and costs for MSK projects. **Tech**: Node.js, Typescript, oclif.
- HTTP Web Server An HTTP web server built from scratch, employing socket programming to serve static HTML pages and dynamic pages queried from a database lookup server. Re-implemented as an Apache module. Tech: C, Apache, Linux.
- College Email De-Spamifier A Gmail Add-On that revamps high school students' inboxes, filtering college emails based on user-specified criteria (acceptance rate, tuition, etc.). Tech: Python (Django, Beautiful Soup), Google Apps Script, SQLite.
- Personal Portfolio A snapshot of my work, goals, and personal life. Tech: React.js, Next.js, Tailwind CSS.

Publications

- Zhang J, Chen L, Gomez-Simmonds A, Yin MT, Freedberg DE. Antibiotic-Specific Risk for Community-Acquired Clostridioides difficile Infection in the United States from 2008 to 2020. Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy (2022). Ahead of print. https://doi.org/10.1128/aac.01129-22.
- Zhang J, Jun T, Frank J, Nirenberg S, Kovatch P, Huang KL. Prediction of individual COVID-19 diagnosis using baseline demographics and lab data. Sci Rep 11, 13913 (2021). https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-93126-7
- Zhang J, Song L, Miller Z, Chan G, Huang, KL. Predictive Models and Features of Patient Mortality across Dementia Types. In Submission.

SKILLS

- Languages: (Fluent) English (Working Proficiency) Mandarin Chinese, Spanish
- Technical Skills: research, machine learning, software engineering, unit testing, data structures and algorithms, writing
- Technical Languages: Python, Javascript, Typescript, R, Java, HTML/CSS, C, SAS, LaTeX, SQL
- Frameworks and Technologies: Node.js, React.js, Next.js, Express.js, REST, Apollo GraphQL, ESLint, Sass, Tailwind CSS, Bootstrap, Jest, WebdriverIO, oclif, hygen, scikit-learn, pandas, tensorflow, matplotlib, numpy, tidyverse (dplyr, ggplot2, etc.), caret, mice, SAS macro
- Tools: Git, Github, GitHub Actions, Docker, Postman, Vim, Linux, Unix, Visual Studio Code, RStudio, SAS Studio, Overleaf