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#### **EDUCATION**

Case Western Reserve University (CWRU)

Cleveland, OH

M.S. in Computer Science

Expected Graduation: Spring 2018

Graduate GPA: 4.0

Expected Graduation: Spring 2017

B.S. in Computer Science

Minor: Applied Data Science Undergraduate GPA: 3.56

Bronx High School of Science Graduated: Spring 2013

#### KEY PROJECTS

# **Indexed Personalized Page Rank**

- · A research effort to speed Personalized Page Rank using precomputed proximity vectors.
- · Technologies: Python, Scipy, Matplotlib

## Cell Line Classification Project

- · A research effort to predict cancer cell line drug response using machine learning.
- · Technologies: Python, Python Scientific Stack (Pandas, Scipy, Numpy, Matplotlib), Scikit-Learn

# Green Labs Data Visualization Application

- · Desktop Application for creating high quality custom visualizations from energy sensor data.
- · Technologies: Qt, PyQt, Python, Pandas, Matplotlib

## UnVolt Mobile/Web Backend

- · Backend for an Personal Energy Recommendations mobile/web application.
- · Still early in development, but anticipated: Java, Spring Boot, PostgreSQL

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

# CWRU Department of Computer Science

 $Undergraduate\ Researcher$ 

Summers: 2015, 2016 Cleveland, OH

- · Summer 2016: Worked on Indexed Personalized Page Rank
  - · Effort to speed Personalized Page Rank computations by using precomputed proximity vectors.
    - · Results are promising: 50-100% speed increases for selected parameter settings.
    - · Publication in draft stage.
- · Summer 2015: Worked on the Cell Line Classification Project
  - · Used machine learning algorithms (Support Vector Machines and Decision Trees) to classify cell lines by their reaction to the cancer drug SMAPs using gene expression and IC50 data.
  - $\cdot$  Results presented at the 2015 CWRU Data Science Symposium and 2016 Research ShowCase.
- · Both Summers: Peer-reviewed papers for Academic Conferences (ACM-BCB 2015, APBC 2016)

#### CWRU Office of Sustainability

October 2015 - May 2016 (Part Time)

Desktop Application Developer

Cleveland, OH

- Developed a desktop application with an easy-to-use GUI for non-technical users to make high-quality, fully-customizable data visualizations from energy sensors located in labs around campus. Also includes an integrated energy savings calculator.
- · Application is used by lab auditors who write reports on how behavior changes could save energy. Both visualizations and energy calculator results are included in reports.

· Consulted with sustainability experts to determine best types of visualizations to include based on potential impact on behavioral changes.

# **BldgScout Progamming Intern**

June - September 2016 (Part Time)

Mobile/Web Backend Development

Cleveland, OH

- · Developed a mobile/web backend for UnVolt, an application designed to provide personalized energy saving recommendations to users based on location, personal preferences, and home characteristics.
- · Collaborating with The Form Group (who are designing the mobile frontend) on a clear, consistent, and easy to use backend API.
- · Designed and Implemented Scalability and Correctness Tests for all API endpoints.

#### RELEVANT COURSEWORK

**Data Mining High Performance Scientific Computing** Causal Learning from Data Bioinformatics for Systems Biology

Computer Networks Algorithms Database Systems Software Craftsmanship

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

- · Highly Proficient with programming languages Python and Java.
- · Proficient with C#, SQL.
- · Some experience with C, Javascript.
- · Experience with data science tools pandas, scikit-learn, scipy, and numpy.
- · Experienced with Git, Linux Command Line, LaTeX.
- · Experience with Cross-Platform Desktop Application Development with Qt.
- · Experience with REST API development with Java Spring Boot.

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

· University Merit Scholarship

· Alumni Association Outstanding Junior/Senior Scholarship

· Dean's High Honor Roll

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· Varsity Athlete (Cross-Country, Track & Field) for CWRU

· 5x UAA All-Academic Team

Spring 2016 - Present Spring 2014, Fall 2014

August 2013 - Present

Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016

August 2013 - Present

Spring 2014 - Present

<sup>\*</sup>Courses in **bold** were taken at the graduate level.