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Education

Ph.D. student in Computer Science (Biomedical Informatics Track)

expected 2024

Department of Computer Science, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, U.S.

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Advisor: Dr. Zhaohui "Steve" Qin

Visiting Scholar in Bioinformatics

08/2018 -- 06/2019

Center for Public Health Genomics, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, U.S.

Advisor: Dr. Chongzhi Zang

M.S. and B.S. in Computer Science and Technology

09/2010 -- 06/2017

Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT), Beijing, China

Rank: 20/297

Exchange student at the Institute of Technology

Fall 2015

Linkoping University, Sweden

Research Experience

SNP prediction from gene expression profile

01/2020 -- Present

• Predict possible SNPs correlated to gene expression variations using deep learning models.

Cell-type specific transcriptional activity identification

08/2019 -- Present

- Identify Cell-type marker genes by applying non-parametric tests to an unbiased mouse brain single-cell RNA-seq dataset.
- Detect key cell type involved in other bulk RNA-seg experiments without using deconvolution methods.

Transcription factor association analysis

08/2018 -- 06/2019

- Develop a web server for the identification of TFs that regulate a given gene set or genomic binding profile by leveraging publicly available TF ChIP-seq datasets, H3K27ac ChIP-seq profiles and DNase I Hypersensitive Sites.
- Optimize data structure and algorithm to improve performance and shorten workflow execution time.

Publications and Posters

Wenjing Ma, Zhenjia Wang, Yifan Zhang, Neal E Magee, Yang Chen and Chongzhi Zang.

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BARTweb: a web server for transcription factor association analysis. bioRxiv [website] [poster]

Honors

Women in Natural Sciences Fellowship

Emory University, U.S., 2019

Innovative Mention, Google Girls' Hackathon 2016 (5/40)

Google, China, 2016

Honorable Mention, Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling (ICM)

COMAP, U.S., 2013

Outstanding Mention on Music Robot (8/60)

The National College Student's Science and Technology

Innovation Project, China, 2012

First-, Second-Class Scholarships

BUPT, China, 2010-2017