Philippe Chlenski

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EDUCATION

Columbia University New York, NY

PhD Computer Science | GPA 4.00 | Advisor: Itsik Pe'er

Aug 2020-Present

Relevant coursework: Machine Learning, Deep Learning and Neural Networks, Causal Inference, Computational Genomics, Introduction to Database Systems, Analysis of Algorithms.

Yale University New Haven, CT

BA Mathematics & Philosophy | GPA 3.85 | cum laude with distinction

Aug 2015-May 2018

Deep Springs College

Deep Springs, CA

AA Liberal Arts | GPA 3.76

Jul 2012-Jun 2014

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Columbia University

New York, NY

NSF Graduate Research Fellow

Sep 2020-Present

- Developed and analyzed bioinformatics tools to study temporal dynamics in the microbiome using single metagenomic samples in the context of sparse, noisy, or otherwise irregular clinical data.
- Built a synthetic data engine for study design and interpretable testing of causal inference frameworks.
- Built inference systems to relate longitudinal multi-omics data, microbial dynamics, and disease states.
- Planned and supervised 8 end-to-end student research projects in computational biology.

Argonne National Laboratory

Chicago, IL

Comparative Genomics Researcher

Oct 2018-Sep 2020

- Improved speed, accuracy, and quality control of RASTtk genome annotation pipeline with 4 novel machine learning tools built in Python with Scikit-Learn, Keras, and TensorFlow.
- Developed pipeline for Al-based strain discovery and data analysis in synthetic biology.
- Contributed extensively to 3 grant applications, 2 of which have been funded.

PUBLICATIONS AND TALKS

- Chlenski, Hsu, and Pe'er. MiSDEED: a synthetic multi-omics engine for microbiome power analysis and study design. Bioinformatics. [Under review] doi: 10.1101/2021.08.09.455682
- Joseph, Chlenski, Korem, and Pe'er. Accurate and robust inference of microbial growth dynamics from [Under review] doi: 10.1101/2021.02.02.429365 metagenomic sequencing. Genome research.
- Parrello, Butler, Chlenski, Pusch, and Overbeek. Supervised extraction of near-complete genomes from metagenomic samples: a new service in PATRIC. PLOS ONE. 2021. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0250092
- Davis et al. The PATRIC Bioinformatics Resource Center: Expanding data and analysis capabilities. Nucleic Acids Research, 2020. doi: 10.1093/nar/qkz943
- Parrello, Butler, Chlenski, et al. A machine learning-based service for estimating quality of genomes using PATRIC. BMC Bioinformatics, 2019. doi: 10.1186/s12859-019-3068-v
- Poster: Peak-to-trough ratio analysis reveals novel associations with microbial dynamics in liver transplant patients. Biology of Genomes. May 2021.
- Talk: Annotate a genome in PATRIC using RASTtk. PATRIC workshop. April 2019.
- In preparation: Fonstein et al. Organism engineering by computational biology: production of threonine in E. coli.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Yale University New Haven, CT Student Technology Coordinator Dec 2015-Aug 2018

Managed and trained 3 technicians to provide primary IT support to over 900 students.

Head Transfer Counselor May 2016-May 2017

Managed a team of 16 counselors to orient and mentor new transfer students.

SKILLS

Programming: Python, Perl, Bash, SQL, HTML/CSS.

Tools and frameworks: TensorFlow, Scikit, NumPy, Biopython, Git, Linux, bioinformatics, high-performance computing. **Spoken languages:** Russian (native), English (fluent), French (conversational).