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PhD Researcher



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"I am a Computational Bioscience graduate interested in developing software for artificial intelligence, health informatics, and game development. My work includes developing novel algorithms for symbolic AI and natural language processing. As a polyglot programmer, I enjoy turning difficult problems for people into easy solutions for computers."

EXPERIENCE

PhD Researcher

University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus

2016 - 2022

- Aurora, CO
- Thesis title: Schematization of biological mechanisms using network alignment and computational analogy for hypothesizing about disease mechanisms and their interventions.
- Managed multiple, interconnected computational projects across different teams from planning to publication.
- Communicated with technical and non-technical audiences.
- Developed interpretable, symbolic artificial intelligence and machine learning methods for identifying drug-targets in text and performing inductive reasoning about drug-disease mechanisms.
- Maintained sustainable, open software development practices.

Knowledge graphs (Artificial intelligence) Biomedical data science

PROJECTS

Schematization of biological mechanisms using structural, semantic, and causal properties

- Developed algorithmic approaches in Clojure and Python for extending analogical reasoning of complex networks representing biological knowledge.
- Merged and harmonized large biomedical knowledge graphs.

Knowtator: Concept/relation annotation for Protégé

- Deployed a WYSIWYG plugin for ontology development and text annotation that includes interactive graph visualization for textual features.
- Incorporated user feedback in several feature updates.

Bootstrapped relation extraction using word embeddings and dependency paths

- Developed a novel bootstrapping relation extraction approach in Clojure that creates human-interpretable syntax patterns from dependency paths and word embeddings
- Performance optimized with GPU accelerated matrix operations.
- Evaluated the approach on a large corpus of biomedical text on its ability to identify drug-target relationships.

SKILLS

Clojure(script) (6 years)

Reagent Re-frame Datascript/Datomic

Python (10 years)

NumPy Pandas scikit-learn

Data visualization

Matplotlib | Vega | GraphViz | D3

Communication

Jupyter(Lab) LaTeX RMarkdown

Additional languages

Java JavaScript Bash Common Lisp

C++ R MATLAB HTML/CSS

Development tools

Git GitHub CI/CD

Areas of expertise

Natural Language Processing Statistics

Machine Learning | Semantic web

Artificial intelligence | Domain modelling

Kubernetes

Big data/Cloud

SQL SPARQL RDF AWS

BigQuery | HPC | Redis

EDUCATION

PhD Candidate in Computational Biosciences

University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus

2016 - Ongoing

Aurora, Co

MS in Biomedical Sciences

University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus

= 2016 - 2022

Aurora, CO

BS in Applied Mathematics University of Colorado

2013 - 2016

Boulder, CO

NOTE

References available upon request. Please see my GitHub page (@tuh8888) for my software projects as well as my contributions to various open-source projects.