

# ZEYNEP HAKGUDER

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## EDUCATION

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University of Nebraska-Lincoln

August 2017 - December 2020 (Expected)

PhD in Computer Science, *Machine Learning Specialization*

*Cumulative GPA: 3.969*

## EXPERIENCE

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### Teaching Assistant

Design and Analysis of Algorithms

*Fall 2018 —*

Introduction to Machine Learning

*Summer 2018*

Data Structures and Algorithms

*Summer 2017 & Spring 2018*

Introduction to Python Programming

*Fall 2017*

### Research Assistant

*January 2017-May 2018*

SBBI Lab, Department of Computer Science and Engineering

## SKILLS

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Programming Languages

Python, JavaScript

Scripting Languages

Bash, AWK, sed, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, SQL

Deep Learning Libraries

Pytorch, TensorFlow, Keras

Machine Learning & Data Manipulation Libraries

Scikit-Learn, Pandas, NumPy

Visualization

Matplotlib, Seaborn

Operating Systems

Linux

Scientific Computing & Containerization

OSG, Docker

Software & Tools

Emacs, Jupyter Notebooks

Database Systems

MySQL, MongoDB

Web Technologies

Node, Express, React, Redux, REST

Native

React Native

## PROJECTS

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### Research Projects

*Computer Vision:*

- (Ongoing) Develop and implement methods to identify pig posture. Achieved 98% accuracy. (**TensorFlow**)
- (Ongoing) Develop and implement deep methods for computational jigsaw puzzle solving. (**Test Driven Development, Python, OpenCV**)

*Deep reinforcement learning:* Contributed to implementation of a reinforcement learning agent in different game environments. Mined agent action data. (**TensorFlow, Keras, AWK**)

*Deep semantic hashing:* Develop and implement methods to find similarity preserving embeddings of data using locality-sensitive hashing. (**TensorFlow & Keras**)

*Deep Generative Models for Optimization Problems:* (Ongoing) Develop and implement methods to solve optimization problems. (**PyTorch, TensorFlow**)

*Biological molecule target prediction:* Predicted binding interactions between biological molecules with Gaussian Mixture Models. (**Scikit-Learn & Pandas**, super computing resources of **OSG**, and **Docker** for containerization)

## Side Projects

*Machine Learning Web & Native Applications*

ToDo List

Games: Pong, Simon, Game of Life, Matching Game (**React**, **Redux**)

Location-based job search app (**React Native**, **Redux**)

Naive Bayes Classifier, Decision Tree Classifier (ID3)

Document similarity using Locality Sensitive Hashing

## RELEVANT COURSES

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*UNL*

Pattern Recognition (Deep Learning), Seminar in Deep Learning (3 Semesters)

Introduction to Machine Learning, Computational Intelligence (Neural Networks, Genetic Algorithms)

Algorithms for Large Scale Data

Statistical Methods in Research, Multivariate Statistics, Probability Theory

*MOOC (Coursera)*

Improving Deep Neural Networks, Structuring Machine Learning Projects

## WORKSHOP & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**Workshop on Support Vector Machines**, *University of Nebraska Medical Center* 2019

Co-organized the workshop, contributed to hands-on session material preparation & presentation.

**Oral Presentation at International IEEE Conference BIBM**, *Kansas City* 2017

## PUBLICATIONS

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Dong Xu, Eleanor Quint, **Zeynep Hakguder**, Haluk Dogan, Stephen Scott, and Matthew Dwyer. "Constraining Action Sequences with Formal Languages for Deep Reinforcement Learning." (2018).

**Zeynep Hakguder**, Jiang Shu, Chunxiao Liao, Kaiyue Pan, and Juan Cui. "Genome-scale MicroRNA target prediction through clustering with Dirichlet process mixture model." *BMC genomics* 19, no. 7 (2018): 658.

**Zeynep Hakguder**, Chunxiao Liao, Jiang Shu, and Juan Cui. "A new statistical model for genome-scale MicroRNA target prediction." In 2017 IEEE International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedicine (BIBM), pp. 101-107. IEEE, 2017.

**Zeynep M. Hakguder**, Dicle Yalcin, and Hasan H. Otu. "Bioinformatics approaches to single-cell analysis in developmental biology." *MHR: Basic science of reproductive medicine* 22, no. 3 (2015): 182-192.

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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Subreviewer for IJCAI (International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence)

2018 —