Akbir Khan akbir.94@gmail.com akbir.dev

Education Sidney Sussex College, University of Cambridge, UK

MPhil in Advanced Computer Science

Advised by Prof. Hatice Gunes and Jack Hopkins

(Natural Language Processing and Affective Computing)

University College London, UK 2013-2017

2017-2018

Distinction

1st Class Honours

Jun. 2017 - Present

MSci in Mathematics and Physics

Advised by Prof. Stephen Bramwell (Thermodynamics and Analytic Magnetic Systems)

University of Toronto, Canada 2015-2016

Visiting Student in Mathematics and Computer Science GPA: 3.3/4.0

Considering Race as a Problem of Transfer Learning **Publications** 

Akbir Khan, Marwa Mahmoud. In Proceedings of the 2019 IEEE Winter Applications of Computer Vision Workshop: Demographic Variations in Performance of Biometric

Algorithms (oral presentation) DOI: 10.1109/WACVW.2019.00022

Detecting Anomalous Application Messages In Telecommunication Net-

Dishant Shah, Jack Hopkins, Akbir Khan, Javid Lakha. Patent accepted at World

Intellectual Property Organisation under the Patent Cooperation Treaty

Publication Number: WO2019053234

Experience Spherical Defence - AI/Cyber Security Lab

Chief Research Officer Manage a team of (5+) research engineers, developing intellectual property

Employee #1, raised a \$2 million seed and built an ML based Web Application Firewall

Researched novel deep learning autoencoders to encode tree-structured data

Developed Python service for training/inference models in scalable cloud deployments

Deutsche Bank Jun. 2016 - Aug. 2016

Software Engineer/Business Analyst

Created front-end (Javascript) for internal search engine of market data

Implemented MIFIDii regulation (€100m budget) at cross-divisional and global scale Designed project milestones and tracking metrics, to be used by all (300) projects

Imperial College London

Jun. 2014 - Aug. 2014

Research Assistant

Worked with Prof. David Jennings in the Quantum Optics and Laser Group. Applied information theory to validate restrictions within quantum communication protocols

Technical Skills Languages: Golang, Python [PyTorch, JAX (contributor), Scikit-learn, Haiku]

Graduate Courses: Probabilistic ML, Computer Vision, Entanglement Physics, Deep

Learning for NLP, Quantum Computation & Communication

**Projects** Deep Equilibrium Network [akbir/deq\_jax]

JAX implementation of Deep Equilibrium Model - an implicit-depth architecture that solves and backpropagates through the equilibrium state of an infinitely deep network

Bad Flamingo [javelm/bad-flamingo]

Gamified data collection of adversarial machine learning examples of sketched images

Awarded 1<sup>st</sup>Prize at the University of Cambridge Ternary Hackathon

Awards Provost Excellence Scholarship - UCL

Berkley Exhibition Scholar - Grammar School at Leeds

Extra **Debating:** Finalist at Warwick 2015 and Yale 2016 inter-varsity competitions Charity: DebateMate - mentoring children in areas of poverty through debate Curricular

**Sports**: Member of the Sidney Sussex College mens rowing 2<sup>nd</sup> team