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# education

## phd | computer science

uc berkeley | 2017-present

- research: interpretable ml
- advisor: bin vu
- gpa: 3.94

# bs | computer science & math

university of virginia | 2017

- concentration in statistics
- graduated with high distinction

## skills

#### machine learning

frameworks

pytorch • tensorflow • scikit-learn keras • mllib • caffe algorithms cnns • graphical models • rfs

#### languages

experienced python • java • matlab proficient r • c++ • c • mathematica

web/mobile

basic languages • javascript • django

#### general

languages english • spanish • hindi jupyter • intellij • eclipse • vim **LATEX** • photoshop • NEURON linux • mac • windows

# teaching

#### berkeley | student instructor summer 2018

- cs 189/289: machine learning
- lectures to class of 80+ students % fall 2019
- cs 188: artificial intelligence %

## experience

## berkeley b. yu research lab | ml research

fall 2017 - present

- investigated methods to interpret machine-learning models
- developed machine-learning algorithms to model neural data

## pacmed ai | interpretable ml internship

summer 2019

- developed new techniques to interpret machine-learning models for healthcare
- integrated cutting-edge interpretability techniques into predictive pipelines on tabular data

## facebook | computer vision internship

summer 2017

- improved deep learning models for semantic segmentation of satellite imagery
- investigated autoencoders for unsupervised layer-wise pretraining
- implemented crfs for segmentation post-processing

#### uva y. qi research lab | ml research

fall 2016 - spring 2017

- developed novel weighted- $\ell_1$ , multi-task gaussian graphical model
- analyzed large-scale functional brain connectivity with graphical models

## hhmi s. turaga research lab | ml research

summer 2015, winter 2015, summer 2016

- extended novel watershed algorithms for neural image segmentation
- contributed to development of novel 3d unet cnn architecture with malis loss
- distributed mllib random forest over compute cluster with apache spark

# uva w. levy research lab | comp. neuroscience research

fall 2014 - fall 2016

- simulated detailed biophysical neurons to understand neural computation
- analyzed energy efficiency, noise, and variability of neural computation via stochastic sodium-channel gating

# hhmi scientific computing | research internship

summer 2014

- examined effects of back-propagating action potentials by simulating intracellular neural firing with detailed biophysical models
- simulated extracellular recording from neurons and measured noise

# research innovations inc. | web dev + android internship

summer 2013 - spring 2014

- developed web application to simultaneously coordinate different tasks
- developed android app to increase data storage capacity of gr codes



#### coursework

#### computation

machine learning computer vision structure learning algorithms artificial intelligence deep learning learning theory ai in graphics cs theory data structures software dev. I & II possible minds

#### stat/math

statistical models probability statistics optimization linear algebra info theory real analysis linear models stochastic processes chaos theory I & II multivariate calculus discrete mathematics differential equations abstract algebra

#### neuroscience

neural coding neural network models neurobiology visual neuroscience cognitive science

#### papers

#### published/accepted

- murdoch\*, singh\*, kumbier, abbasi-asl, & yu 2019: "interpretable machine learning: definitions, methods, and applications" pnas %
- singh\*, murdoch\*, & yu 2019: "hierarchical interpretations for neural network predictions" iclr % </>
- funke\*, tschopp\*, grisaitis, sheridan, singh, saalfeld, & turaga 2018: "large scale image segmentation with structured-loss-based deep learning for connectome reconstruction" tpami %</>
- morel, singh, & levy 2018: "linearized synaptic integration at no extra cost" journal of computational neuroscience %
- singh, wang, & qi 2017: "a weighted-\$\ell\_1\$, multi-task graphical model with applications to heterogeneous brain connectivity" neurips 2017 amlicd workshop \$\langle \langle \rangle \rangl
- singh & levy 2017: "a consensus layer V pyramidal neuron can sustain interpulse-interval coding" plos one. % </>

#### under review

- rieger, singh, murdoch, & yu 2019 "interpretations are useful: penalizing explanations to align neural networks with prior knowledge" % </>
- devlin, singh, & yu 2019: "disentangled attribution curves for interpreting random forests and boosted trees" % </>
- singh, ruhe, cina, & tonutti 2019 "sensible local interpretations via class-weight uncertainty and conditional perturbation" </>

#### selected talks

- singh 2017: "a novel machine-learning algorithm for uncovering brain connections underlying autism" uva undergraduate research & design symposium, design category winner %
- singh 2017: "uncovering brain connections underlying autism via graphical models" tom tom founder's machine learning conference %
- singh 2017: "complexity leads to simplicity: investigating neural linearization via biophysical simulations" uva undergraduate research & design symposium semifinalist in research category (1 of 6 undergraduates)

#### posters

- singh\*, murdoch\*, & yu 2018: "interpretable machine learning with applications to neuroscience" utokyo neurcomputing workshop 2019
- singh\*, murdoch\*, & yu 2018: "hierarchical interpretations for neural network predictions" berkeley bair workshop fall 2018, iclr 2019 %

2014-2017

• singh, hewitt, & turaga 2015: "optimizing random forest image segmentation for connectomics" janelia undergraduate scholar poster session %

awards

dean's list

# funding awards

pdsoros fellowship finalist	2019	berkeley grad slam semifinalist	2019
ircn workshop travel award	2019	outstanding student instructor award (10%)	2018
vidya shelat fund award	2016	uva rader research award	2017
rodman scholar	2014-2017	uva undergraduate research symposium winner	2017
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projects (non-research)		icpc regional qualification	2014-2016
		1st place microsoft code competition	2016
notes, blog, & slides %	2014-2019	3rd place google games uva	2017
hummingbird tracking %	2017-2018	2nd place apt puzzle competition	2017
news balancer django app	2017	intermediate honors	2016



java mini-games </>

2014-2016