# chandan singh











## education

#### phd | computer science

uc berkeley | 2017-present

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

## **bs** | computer science & math university of virginia | 2017

- concentration in statistics
- graduated with high distinction

## skills

#### machine learning

frameworks

pytorch • scikit-learn • tensorflow
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
ides
jupyter • intellij • eclipse • vim
software

ATEX• photoshop • NEURON
os
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
- created methods to understand and utilized interactions in neural networks
- developed machine-learning algorithms to model medical and biological 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 develop models of neural computation
- analyzed energy efficiency, noise, and variability in stochastic neurons

## 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 qr 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

- singh\*, murdoch\*, & yu 2019: "hierarchical interpretations for neural network predictions" iclr % </>
- murdoch\*, singh\*, kumbier, abbasi-asl, & yu 2019: "interpretable machine learning: definitions, methods, and applications" pnas %
- 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)

#### selected posters

2014-2016

- 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      |
|                             |           | raven honor society                         | 2016-2017 |
| 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      |



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