# **Nikhil Devanathan**

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#### **Education**

#### M.S. Electrical Engineering

3.9 **GPA** 

Stanford University,

Sep 2022-Jun 2024

Coursework includes: Convex Optimization II (EE 364B), Numerical Linear Algebra (CME 302), Stochastic Methods in Engineering (MATH 228), Machine Learning (CS 229)

B.S. Math 3.9 **GPA** 

Stanford University.

Sep 2020-Jun 2024

Coursework includes: Probability III (MATH 230C), Theory of Statistics III (STATS 300C), Mathematical Finance (MATH 238), Randomized Algorithms and Probabilistic Analysis (CS 265)

### **Experience**

#### Student Researcher

Information Systems Lab, Electrical Engineering, Stanford,

Jun 2022-Jun 2024

Optimization research with Prof. Stephen Boyd

- O Developed an efficient method to approximate a statistical quantity
- Proved convergence for a family of convex optimization algorithms

#### Al Labs Intern

Al Labs. BlackRock.

Jun 2023-Mar 2024

Optimization research and development to support portfolio management

- Delivered risk reductions to multi-asset-class portfolios
- Developed an algorithm and tool for efficient performance attribution on portfolios
- Designed and tested methods to reduce transaction costs

#### **Technical Intern**

Chemical and Biological Signatures Group, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory,

Jun-Aug 2021

Mass over charge (M/Q) simulation optimization

o Optimized gas molecule collision simulation code to run 140x faster on high-performance computers

#### **Technical Intern**

Battery Materials Group, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory,

Jun-Aug 2019

Assembly of organic redox molecule database

## **Teaching**

#### **Teaching Assistant**

EE 104 (CME 107), Introduction to Machine Learning

Mar-Jun 2024

### **Teaching Assistant**

EE 364A (CME 364A), Convex Optimization I

Jan-Mar 2023

#### **Teaching Assistant**

EE 263 (CME 263), Linear Dynamical Systems

Sep-Dec 2022

### **Papers**

- o Efficient Shapley Performance Attribution for Least-Squares Regression, Statistics and Computing
- Polyak Minorant Method for Convex Optimization, Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications 2023
- o The Role of Ion Rotation in Ion Mobility: Ultrahigh-Precision Prediction of Ion Mobility Dependence on Ion Mass Distribution and Translational to Rotational Energy Transfer, The Journal of Physical Chemistry A