Roy Rinberg

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EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

2023 - Present

PhD. Computer Science. Advisors: Prof. Seth Neel and Prof. Salil Vadhan

Columbia University, New York, NY

2021 - 2023

MS in Computer Science [Thesis Track]. Advisors: Prof. Rachel Cummings and Prof. Steven Bellovin

New York University, New York, NY

2014 - 2018

B.A. Computer Science, Physics, Minor: Math.

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, Alexandria, VA 2010 - 2014

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Aug. 2023 - Present

Trustworthy Machine Learning [Advisors: Prof. Seth Neel and Prof. Salil Vadhan]

- Research on foundations of machine learning and fundamentals of Differential Privacy (DP).
- Research on Machine Unlearning.

Columbia University, New York, NY

Aug. 2021 - Aug. 2023

Privacy in ML [Advisors: Prof. Rachel Cummings and Prof. Steven Bellovin]

- Extensions of Gaussian & Laplace DP primitives, and their application to ML. In Submission.
- Research on Catered PATE PATE in the presence of heterogenous data (<u>link</u>). On-going.
- Research on how ML algorithms memorize training data.

Vector Institute, Toronto, ON

May 2022 - Sep. 2022

Privacy in Machine Learning

[Advisor: Prof. Nicolas Papernot]

- Research on Individualization of PATE (PoPETs 2023) and DP-SGD (Neurips 2024).
- Research on reducing distributional and user-preference-level assumptions in private ML.

New York University, New York, NY

Feb. 2017 - May 2018

Evolution of Language Models within Social Networks [A

[Advisor: Prof. Bud Mishra]

• Studied the development of echo chambers within social networks using TDA to study distances between Word2Vec models trained on Reddit text. Preprint on arXiv.

Papers

- 1. R. Rinberg, K. Georgiev, S. Park, S. Garg, A. Ilyas, A. Madry, S. Neel. Attribute-to-Delete: Machine Unlearning via Datamodel Matching. (2024). ICLR 2025.
- 2. R. Rinberg, Ilia Shumailov, Rachel Cummings, Nicolas Papernot. Beyond Laplace and Gaussian: Exploring the Generalized Gaussian Mechanism for Private Machine Learning. Preprint.
- 3. F. Boenisch, C Mühl, A. Dziedzic, R. Rinberg, N. Papernot. Have it your way: Individualized Privacy Assignment for DP-SGD. Accepted to Neurips 2023.
- 4. F. Boenisch, C Mühl, R. Rinberg, J. Ihrig, A. Dziedzic. *Individualized PATE: Differentially Private Machine Learning with Individual Privacy Guarantees*. Accepted to PoPETs 2023.
- 5. R. Rinberg, N. Agarwal. Privacy when Everyone is Watching: An SOK on Anonymity on the Blockchain. ePrint.
- 6. A. Tamaskar, R. Rinberg, S. Chakraborty, B. Mishra. Creolizing the Web. arXiv.

Workshops

1. **R. Rinberg** and M. Pawelczyk. When is Differentially Private Finetuning Actually Private? In: SFLLM (NeurIPS 2024 Workshop). 2024. Openreview and associated Blog.

TEACHING AND SERVICE

- 1. Harvard CS1200 (Intro to Algorithms) Head Teaching Fellow
- 2. OSDI (USENIX) 2023 Assistant organizer for PC

Fall 2024

2. OSDI (OSDIVIX) 2020 - HSSISVANI OIGANIZ

Spring 2023

3. NYU - General Physics I and II Tutor

2017 - 2018

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

Shelton AI, New York, NY Lead Software Engineer

Jan. 2022 - Jun. 2022

Shelton AI leverages machine learning to help pension funds manage investments in private equity.

- Worked with CEO to develop fintech product to manage 10s of millions of dollars.
- Developed core AWS infrastructure for NLP document processing pipeline.

Ouster, San Francisco, CA Software Engineer

Jun. 2018 - Jul. 2021

Ouster is a company developing lidar sensors. I was an early-stage engineer working on lidar-based collision-avoidance systems.

- Led development of on-edge computing for live predictions about dangerous driving.
- Developed platforms for evaluating algorithms on historical lidar data and monitoring live data.
- Internship Project: Produced open-source C++ lidar point-cloud data visualizer (Github link).

Career Copilots, San Francisco, CA Software Engineer

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

 ${\it Career~Copilots~is~a~startup~seeking~to~help~individuals~find~jobs~using~Linkedin~data}.$

 $\bullet \ \ {\rm Developed \ web\mbox{-}scraping \ data\mbox{-}exploration \ pipeline \ of jobs\mbox{-}data \ to \ help \ users \ find \ relevant \ roles.}$

Knight First Amendment Institute, New York, NY SEPT. 2022 - MAY 2023 Algorithmic Amplification in Society [Advisor: Professor Arvind Narayaran]

KFAI works to protect digital freedoms through strategic litigation, research, and education.

• Work with Professor Arvind Narayaran to develop essays, videos, and interactives for explaining how algorithmic amplification can affect speech online.

AWARDS, MEMBERSHIPS, CONFERENCES

Columbia Advanced Master's Research Specialization	2022-2023
Presidential Honors Scholar (NYU)	2015 - 2018
Dean's List (NYU)	2014 - 2018
Sigma Pi Sigma (Physics Honor Society) (NYU)	INDUCTED 2018
HPC for Undergraduates - Conference Scholarship for SC'17	Fall 2017
DURF & Research+ for Housing and Stipend (NYU)	Summer 2017

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Technically Private (Organizer)

2021-Present

 Organize group of inter-university graduate students in the privacy and security spaces, across legal, policy, and technical domains.

Project BEST (Building Excitement for Science and Tech) (Cofounder) 2011-2014

- Fundraised and grew organization to 25 chapters across 3 states, reaching 3000+ students.
- Led two full-day STEM programs for 100+ students, and co-led team of 20 volunteers.

Ouster Community Work

2018-2020

• Advocated management to donate \$6k to 6 public-interest orgs and institute paid volunteer-day.

Courses and Software Skils

Selected CS Coursework: Neural Networks, Cryptography, ML, Computational Learning Theory, Foundations of Blockchain, Security, Theory of Computation, Operating Systems, Computer Systems Organization

Selected Interdisciplinary Coursework: Anonymity and Privacy, Policy for Privacy Technology Selected Math Coursework: Honors Algebra, Analysis, Probability, Linear Algebra, Statistics

Software and Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, Go, Linux, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Docker, AWS, Google Cloud Services, ROS, ELK Stack, Pandas, Jenkins, Artifactory, SQL, Webscraping, Opacus