# Aidan Lakshman

## **Work Experience**

**Meta (Facebook)**, Research Scientist (Systems/Infrastructure)

· Looking forward to starting in September!

New York, NY

Sept 2025 - present

University of Pittsburgh, Graduate Researcher

Built a clustering algorithm in C to process graphs with >1B nodes using < 64GB RAM</li>

Pittsburgh, PA Aug 2020 - Aug 2025

- Designed novel algorithms in R to predict gene function from evolutionary signal
- Researched new ways to infer causal relationships in the presence of missing data
- · Led preliminary research for successfully funded U01 grant

**Amazon Web Servies**, Software Development Engineer Intern

Herndon, VA Summer 2020 & 2021

- Streamlined AWS account onboarding experience for Research Service Workbench on AWS (SWB) from an error-prone, multi-context process to a one-click workflow
- · Led implementation of SWB's first comprehensive unit testing framework
- Designed frontend components with React, backend with Node.js and AWS Lambda

Carnegie Mellon University, Robotics Institute Summer Scholar

Pittsburgh, PA Summer 2018

- Improved traffic signals by predicting bus behavior with Bayesian modeling in Python
- Built assistive technology to allow intersections to aid mobility-impaired pedestrians

#### Education \_

PhD **University of Pittsburgh**, Bioinformatics Pittsburgh, PA

Research: Designing scalable algorithms to analyze massive genomic datasets

2025

BS **University of Central Florida**, Mathematics Orlando, FL

magna cum laude, Burnett Honors College, National Merit Scholar

2020

## Projects\_

6502 Computer: Built a 6502 computer on a breadboard, created a 6502 emulator in C to run and debug programs in Assembly, wrote a Forth OS from scratch in 6502 Assembly

Cloud Storage Server: Built a cloud storage server using Nextcloud on top of a LAMP stack

## **Grant Funding**

**R Consortium**, *Infrastructure Steering Committee* 

2024

Funded to become primary maintainer of Biostrings, an open source R package with >1M downloads per year

**University of Central Florida**, Burnett Honors College

2018

Funded to research novel approaches to incentivize exploration in evolutionary multi-agent systems

#### **Publications**

Lakshman, A. and E.S. Wright. "EvoWeaver: Large-scale prediction of gene functional associations from coevolutioanry signals". Nature Communications, 2026. (In Press).

Lakshman, A. and E.S. Wright. "ExoLabel: Scalable network clustering for massive datasets" (In Preparation).

#### Skills

Programming (5+ years): R, C, Fortran 90, Python

Programming (2+ years): C++, C#, Forth, Assembly