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## EDUCATION

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**University of Pennsylvania**

Fall 2022 - Present

Ph.D. in Computer and Information Science

Advisor: [Rajeev Alur](#)

**Cornell University**

Fall 2021 - Spring 2022

M.Eng. in Computer Science

GPA: 4.08

**Cornell University**

Fall 2018 - Spring 2021

B.S. in Computer Science

Minor in Applied Mathematics

GPA: 3.81

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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My research interests span machine learning, programming languages, and formal methods. My current research focuses on 1) scalable neurosymbolic learning algorithms and 2) using neurosymbolic programming to improve the correctness of LLM-generated code and ML predictions for clinical diagnosis.

## PUBLICATIONS

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\* denotes equal contribution

### Refereed Conference Publications

- *CTSketch: Compositional Tensor Sketching for Scalable Neurosymbolic Learning*  
Seewon Choi\*, **Alaia Solko-Breslin\***, Rajeev Alur, Eric Wong.  
NeurIPS 2025
- *Understanding the Effectiveness of Large Language Models in Detecting Security Vulnerabilities*  
Avishree Khare\*, Saikat Dutta\*, Ziyang Li, **Alaia Solko-Breslin**, Rajeev Alur, Mayur Naik.  
ICST 2025
- *Data-Efficient Learning with Neural Programs*  
**Alaia Solko-Breslin**, Seewon Choi, Ziyang Li, Neelay Velingker, Rajeev Alur, Mayur Naik, Eric Wong.  
NeurIPS 2024
- *Automata Learning with an Incomplete Teacher*  
Mark Moeller, Thomas Wiener, **Alaia Solko-Breslin**, Caleb Koch, Nate Foster, Alexandra Silva.  
ECOOP 2023
- *Petr4: Formal Foundations for P4 Data Planes*  
Ryan Doenges, Mina Tahmasbi Arashloo, Santiago Bautista, Alexander Chang, Newton Ni, Samwise Parkinson, Rudy Peterson, **Alaia Solko-Breslin**, Amanda Xu, Nate Foster.  
POPL 2021

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Amazon Web Services

Spring 2025

*Applied Scientist Intern*

- Implemented a framework for automatically learning preconditions for AWS APIs, contributing to my team's overall goal of using automated reasoning to improve the trustworthiness of LLM-generated code. Advised by [Serdar Tasiran](#).

### Amazon Web Services

Summer 2021

*Software Development Engineer Intern*

- Implemented an API that performs a deep health check of our authentication service.
- Implemented canaries that would continuously make requests to this health check and our service and report metrics.

### Amazon Web Services

Summer 2020

*Software Development Engineer Intern*

- Designed and implemented an API that allows test fleets to obtain the posture that is necessary for them to reach services in Native AWS.

## TEACHING

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### University of Pennsylvania

*Teaching Assistant*

- CIS 7000: Special Topics: Trustworthy Machine Learning Spring 2024  
Instructors: [Rajeev Alur](#) and [Osbert Bastani](#)
- CIS 5000: Software Foundations Fall 2023  
Instructor: [Benjamin Pierce](#)  
Lectures taught: "Induction and data structures"

### Cornell University

*Teaching Assistant*

- CS 4160/5160: Formal Verification Spring 2022  
Instructor: [Michael Clarkson](#)
- CS 3110: Data Structures and Functional Programming Fall 2021  
Instructor: [Michael Clarkson](#)
- CS 4820: Introduction to Analysis of Algorithms Spring 2021  
Instructor: [Robert Kleinberg](#)
- CS 4820: Introduction to Analysis of Algorithms Fall 2020  
Instructor: [Dexter Kozen](#)
- CS 3110: Data Structures and Functional Programming Spring 2020  
Instructor: [Nate Foster](#)
- CS 3110: Data Structures and Functional Programming Fall 2019  
Instructor: [Michael Clarkson](#)

## AWARDS

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### AWS-AI ASSET Fellow

2024

Funding to support research on safe, explainable, and trustworthy AI-enabled systems.

### John Grist Brainerd Doctoral Fellowship (UPenn)

2022

## SERVICE

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NeurIPS Reviewer	2025
PLDI Student Volunteer	2023

## LEADERSHIP AND MENTORSHIP

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CISDA Co-President	Fall 2024 - Present
CIS Mentorship Program Mentor	Fall 2023 - Present
CIS Mentorship Program Volunteer	Fall 2023 - Present
CIS TGIF Event Coordinator	Summer 2023 - Summer 2024
CIS Office Committee Member	Summer 2023 - Summer 2024

## TRAVEL FUNDING

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Summer School on Formal Techniques Funding	2023
Programming Languages Mentoring Workshop at PLDI Funding	2022

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Programming Languages</b>	Python, Java, OCaml, Rust, Rocq, Ruby, Racket, Dafny, C
<b>Tools</b>	Pytorch, Git, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, Z3