# Alexander Koziell-Pipe

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#### Summary

- Computer Science PhD student at the University of Oxford, conducting research at the intersection of artificial intelligence, mathematics and quantum computing. 1st Class Physics degree from the University of Oxford.
- Multiple academic scholarships.
- Data science and machine learning experience in industry at both a startup and enterprise level.
- Experience with a breadth of deep learning architectures.
- Leadership and communication skills developed from various roles of responsibility.

#### **Education and Honors**

#### University of Oxford, Wolfson College

Oxford, UK

# **PhD** in Computer Science

Oct 2021 – Present

- Quantum circuit simulation using reinforcement learning and graph neural networks.
- Category-theoretic semantics for hybrid quantum machine learning.
- Wolfson Harrison Quantum Foundations Scholar (Full Tuition Fees and Stipend).

### University of Oxford, Lincoln College

Oxford, UK

#### **Master of Physics**

Oct 2015 - Jun 2019

- 1<sup>st</sup> Class Honors
- Coursework designing numerical simulations for condensed matter physics.
- Lord Crewe Scholar (£800)
- Sidgwick Exhibition Award (£150)

#### **Skills**

- Programming Languages: Python, JavaScript, Haskell, HTML, CSS, SQL
- Data Science and Machine Learning: scikit-learn, NumPy, pandas, matplotlib, seaborn, support vector machines (SVM), decision trees, random forests, data visualisation, data exploration, time series, ETL
- **Deep Learning:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, JAX, convolutional neural networks (CNN), recurrent neural networks (RNN), LSTM, transformers, attention, graph neural networks (GNN), reinforcement learning (RL)
- Other: git, version control, Linux, Jupyter, Docker, algorithms, unit testing, SSH, asynchronous programming, React, qiskit, TensorFlow Quantum

#### **Experience**

#### Hitachi Vantara LLC

**SE Lumada Data Science Fellow** 

London, UK

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

- Advanced analytics for energy plant anomalies.
- Trained random forests, support vector machines and LSTMs to detect failure modes in a time series dataset.
- Our machine learning models provided a prototype early warning system for energy plant equipment failures.
- Chosen from a pool of more than 500 applicants; selected for academic excellence, intellectual curiosity, and communication skills.

#### **HELIX RE Inc**

**Computer Vision Engineer** 

London, UK Jul 2019 – Oct 2019

• Localisation task for generating 'Digital Twins' of buildings.

- Implemented algorithm for determining relative positioning 360 images with overlapping visual fields.
- The algorithm facilitated automating the creation of an 'indoor google street view' and was used in the company's main data processing pipeline.

#### Online Education Partnership Ltd Mathematics and Science Tutor

Remote/Worldwide Oct 2019 – Sep 2020

- Taught Mathematics and Science online to a global demographic (Hong Kong, US, Dubai).
- Subjects: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Linear Algebra.

#### **Publications**

#### Hybrid Quantum-Classical Machine Learning with String Diagrams, to appear

2024

• Presented at the PLDI Workshop on Quantum Software 2024 in Copenhagen, Denmark

#### Functorial Language Models, arXiv:2103.14411

2021

• Presented at the Applied Category Theory Conference 2021 in Cambridge, UK (Remote)

#### **Volunteering and Leadership**

# Co-organizer

Remote/Worldwide

ZX Seminar Sep 2023 – Present

#### **Research Cluster Representative**

Oxford, UK

#### **Wolfson Quantum Foundations Research Cluster**

Oct 2021 - Present

- Invited speakers, organized and chaired events and talks.
- Topics ranged from 'The Link between Quantum Mechanics and Music' to 'Are Error Correcting Codes built into the laws of the universe?'

Invited speakers and chaired seminars on the ZX-calculus: a graphical language for quantum computing.

Men's Captain

Oxford, UK

#### **Oxford University Gymnastics Club**

Oct 2021 – Mar 2022

- Elected by members of the gymnastics club.
- Organized and led a team at national competitions and the annual Oxford vs Cambridge Varsity Match.

# IT Officer

Oxford, UK

Oxford University Gymnastics Club

 Mar 2017 – Mar 2018

Maintained a WordPress site, produced video content and managed multiple social media accounts to improve the gymnastics club's online presence.

## **Club President**

London, UK

#### Halley Science Society (St Paul's School)

Sep 2013 – Jun 2014

- Invited speakers, organized and chaired events and lectures for the school science society.
- Notable speakers include Professor John Ellis, who gave a lecture on the Higgs boson shortly after its discovery.

# Grants, Awards and Achievements

#### Academic

- Wolfson Harrison Quantum Foundations Scholarship University of Oxford (Full tuition fees and stipend)
- Lord Crewe Scholar University of Oxford (£800)
- Sidgwick Exhibition Award University of Oxford (£150)
- Senior Mathematics Prize St Paul's School
- Senior Academic Scholarship St Paul's School (£50)

#### **Sporting Awards**

- 4x Full Blue, Oxford University's highest sporting achievement, in Gymnastics.
- High Profile Sports Grant Wolfson College, University of Oxford (£200)
- Blues Funding Lincoln College, Oxford (£150, £270, £125)

#### Grants

 Club development grant, won in open competition on behalf of Oxford University Gymnastics Club – Oxford University Sport (£1000)

# **Teaching**

#### **Oxford Study Abroad Programme**

Oxford, UK

• Special Relativity, Quantum Computation, Machine Learning. PyTorch implementation of arxiv:1512.04150.

# **Open Source Contributions**

#### Ivy - The Unified AI Framework

• Testing TensorFlow, JAX and PyTorch backends with the hypothesis testing framework.

#### Chyp - An Interactive Theorem Prover for String Diagrams

• Implementing a hypergraph data structure, parser and convex optimization visualization code.