

# Arvind Ramaswami

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Interests: Machine Learning, Algorithm Design, Optimization

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## Education

*Georgia Tech* (Fall 2017 - Fall 2020): BS Computer Science. (Threads: Intelligence and Theory)

*Georgia Tech* (Spring 2021 - Fall 2022): MS in Computer Science (Specialization: Machine Learning)

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## Work Experience

**PerfectRec** - *Machine Learning Engineer Intern*

**June 2022 - Aug 2022**

Built the startup's first ML-powered product recommendations systems, using AWS Sagemaker. Advised by Professor Josh Hug.

**Amazon** - *Software Development Engineer (SDE) Intern*

**May 2020 – Aug 2020**

Designed a ranking system to match advertisers to partners for the Amazon Advertiser Partner Network. Performed cluster analysis on the advertiser data.

**Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory** - *Software Engineer Intern*

**May 2019 – Aug 2019**

Developed a testing framework for the National Ignition Facility (NIF), the largest laser facility in the world. Proposed data science techniques to validate the calculations.

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## Skills

**Programming languages:** C++, Python, Java, Javascript

**Competitive programming:** ACM ICPC World Finalist (Rank 6 out of 50 teams in the North America Championship), Round 3 of Google Code Jam (2021), Top 200 in Round 3 of Meta Hacker Cup (2022)

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## Research

**Algorithms Research** - *Advisor: Richard Peng*

**Jan 2022 - Dec 2022**

Developed high-accuracy algorithms for the regularized optimal transport problem.

**ML Research** - *Advisor: Jacob Abernethy*

**Sept 2019 – Oct 2021**

Evaluated the effectiveness of different optimization algorithms such as Mirror Prox in the adversarial learning problem. Also developed adversarial robustness algorithms using multiclass boosting.

**ML Research** - *Advisor: Sebastian Pokutta*

**Jan 2018 – May 2019**

Engineered adversarial attacks on random forest classifiers and developed methods to make them more robust.

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## Publications / Submitted Papers

*Sinkhorn has Exponential Convergence under Regularization*. Preprint (2022). With Richard Peng, Yang Liu, Jingbang Chen.

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## Leadership

**Georgia Tech Programming Team** - *(President from Spring 2022 - Fall 2022)* **Aug 2017 – December 2022**

Prepared content and lectured for weekly meetings in topics such as dynamic programming, data structures, and combinatorial optimization. In charge of arranging team practices for ICPC.

## **Big-O Theory Club - ( *President from Fall 2020 - Spring 2021* )**

**Aug 2017 – May 2021**

Gave talks about theoretical computer science (examples of topics discussed: randomized algorithms, flows) and invited other students to give talks about their research.

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## **Projects**

### **ReconBlind Multi-Chess Agent**

**Nov 2020**

Worked on a team (for the class *Robot Intelligence: Planning*) to create an agent that would play [Reconchess](#). Based our agent on David Silver's AlphaGo paper and incorporated a policy neural network with Monte-Carlo Tree Search.

### **WeLocate**

**Oct 2017**

Built a website that uses Yelp's API and AWS Machine Learning to find where to open a small business. Received first-place awards at VandyHacks for the Most Disruptive Hack and the Best Financial Hack.

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## **Miscellaneous**

**Math Contests:** Represented Georgia for the American Regions Mathematics League (ARML) in 2015 and 2017, qualifier for American Invitational Mathematics Exam (AIME) in 2017.

**Violin:** Previously a member of the Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra, Georgia All-State Orchestra. Currently playing in the Georgia Tech Symphony Orchestra. Also learned conducting under Dr. Chaowen Ting.

**Spoken Languages:** English, Spanish, Tamil, Chinese.