# **ASHTON TENG**

Core Interests: Data Science, Machine Learning, Neuroscience, Cognitive Science

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#### Education

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# University of California, Berkeley — Sep 2014-present

B.A. candidate in Cognitive Science and Computer Science, May 2018 (GPA: 3.926/4.0). Coursework:

- Machine Learning; Neural Computation (graduate, neuromorphic machine learning); Artificial Intelligence;
  Data Structures; Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs; Discrete Mathematics and Probability
  Theory; Designing Information Devices and Systems
- Data Science in Cognitive Neuroscience; Cognitive Neuroscience; Introduction to Neurobiology; Brain, Mind and Behavior; Cognitive Science;
- Linear Algebra and Differential Equations; Calculus; Probability; Introduction to Statistics and Probability;

# Research Experience (Cognitive and Computational Neuroscience)

### D'Esposito Lab — Jan 2016-present (Supervisors: Mark D'Esposito, Kai Hwang)

- Developed Python scripts to discover the role of the thalamus in modulating functional connectivity of the brain
- Acquired data using transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS) and functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI)
- Recruited and coordinated experiment participants

#### Gallant Lab — April 2016-present (Supervisors: Jack Gallant, Leila Wehbe)

- Used machine learning techniques to build a NLP model for language semantics representation in the brain
- Designed and developed experimental stimuli in an vision-attention experiment

# Gopnik Lab — Jan 2015-Jan 2016 (Supervisors: Dr. Alison Gopnik, Shaun M. O'Grady)

- · Conducted behavioral developmental psychology experiments with adolescents
- Recruited participants in school and museum settings (cold-calling, social media, and email)

# **Work Experience**

## Microsoft Research Asia (Cloud + Enterprise) - June 2015 - August 2015 (Mentor: Joanna Li)

- Core Developer for C+E China internal website, Monthly C+E newsletter
- Developed a web app (SmartCrop) based on Microsoft Cognitive Services Computer Vision API
- Planned, filmed, and edited an "Introduction to Project Oxford" tutorial video for developers

#### **Skills**

- Python (scikit-learn, numpy, scipy, matplotlib, nibabel, nilearn, mne), Java, SQL, Tensorflow, Bash, HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, JQuery, Git
- Adobe Photoshop, Adobe AfterEffects, Final Cut Pro, Microsoft Office, Apple iWork, Google Docs

#### Extracurricular

#### Neurotechnology at Berkeley (Co-Founder, Organizer)

- Organizes projects, workshops and events related to neuroscience and technology
- Hosts weekly hack sessions for neurotechnology enthusiasts

## Association of Chinese Entrepreneurs (Core Member)

- General event planning (e.g. startup weekends, investor meetups)
- 2nd place in Spring 2016 Startup Weekend, with an app that provides educational video feeds to users.

# Cognitive Science Student Association (Internal Member, Secretarial Chair)

Planning of annual California Cognitive Science Conference (theme selection, speaker coordination, marketing)

#### TEDxYouth@WAB (Co-Founder, Organizer)

• Founded the first two TEDx conferences at my high school. Led team in finding speakers, marketing, etc.