

# Dhruv Kohli

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

- 2018-2020 Master of Science in Computational Science, Mathematics and Engineering.  
**University of California, San Diego**  
GPA - 4.00
- 2012-2016 Bachelor of Technology in Mathematics and Computing.  
**Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati**  
GPA - 9.06 / 10, Department Rank 2 / 54

### Work Experience

- 05/2020- Present Software Development Engineer,  
**Amazon.com Services, Inc.**, Sunnyvale (USA)
- Working on the detection of human motion using the spectral features of the channel state information (CSI) of the links between wireless devices.
- 06/2019- 09/2019 Software Development Engineer Intern,  
**Amazon.com Services, Inc.**, Sunnyvale (USA)
- Benchmarked recommendation algorithms including Generalized Matrix Factorization, Neural Matrix Factorization and Hierarchical Recurrent Neural Network with the objective of improving cache-hit.
- 06/2016- 03/2017 Software Engineer, Advanced Technology Lab - Multimedia Division  
**Samsung Research Institute**, Bangalore (India)
- Developed a regularizer that constrained filters in a convolutional neural network (CNN) to be circularly symmetric and used it to build a rotation invariant CNN.
  - Developed an algorithm for temporal segmentation of a video with the aim to maximize diversity among segments based on sequential determinantal point process.
- 05/2015- 07/2015 Research Intern, Cloud and Information Services Lab Group  
**Microsoft Research**, Bangalore (India)
- Worked on real-time detection of issues in high-dimensional time series data with the aim of detecting the time of the anomaly and the subset of attributes which caused it.
  - Modeled the data using a time-varying gaussian distribution whose mean had sparse dictionary based representations that were learned automatically and the sparse codes were constrained to be temporally dependent.
- 05/2014- 08/2014 Software Developer, Google Summer of Code  
**International Neuroinformatics Coordinating Facility**
- Developed an open source software “mindthegap” that vectorizes bitmaps of brain slices without introducing gaps or overlaps between adjacent regions. [\[Link\]](#)

## Research Experience

- Winter 2020 Research Assistant, Halicioğlu Data Science Institute, UC San Diego  
Developed a new technique for manifold learning which competes with existing techniques in visualization quality and can also embed manifolds without boundary as well as non-orientable manifolds into their intrinsic dimension.
- Spring 2019 Research Assistant, Neurobiology Department, UC San Diego  
Implemented a technique to detect the vagal tone of the vocalizer by convolving a learned filter with the modulation power spectrum of the vocal signals.

## Teaching Experience

- Fall 2019 Teaching Assistant, CSE 291 *Geometry of Data*, UC San Diego.
- Winter 2019 Teaching Assistant, MATH 183 *Statistical Methods*, UC San Diego.
- Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, MATH 11 *Calculus Based Probability and Statistics*, UC San Diego.

## Publications

- Dhruv Kohli**, Alex Cloninger, Gal Mishne, *Low Distortion Local Eigenmap*, in progress.
- Dhruv Kohli**, Jeffrey M. Rabin, *Asymmetric Expansion preserves Hyperbolic Convexity*, Journal of Geometry, Volume 111 Article 33, 2020. [\[Link\]](#)
- Dhruv Kohli**, Jeffrey M. Rabin, *Radial Expansion preserves Hyperbolic Convexity and Radial Contraction preserves Spherical Convexity*, Journal of Geometry, Volume 110 Article 40, 2019. [\[Link\]](#)
- Dhruv Kohli**, Biplab Ch Das, Viswanath Gopalakrishnan, Kiran Nanjunda Iyer, *Learning Rotation Invariance in Deep Hierarchies using Circular Symmetric Filters*, International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, 2017. [\[Link\]](#)

## Awards and Honors

- 2017 Ranked 18 across country in entrance exam for Master in Statistics organized by Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata. [\[Link\]](#)
- 2014 Ranked 1 across the country in CUDA Coding Challenge India organized by Nvidia in High Performance Computing Conference. [\[Code\]](#)[\[Link\]](#)
- 2012 Ranked 2076 out of 600,000 students in IIT Joint Entrance Exam.

## Skills

- Prog. Lang. MATLAB, Python, CUDA, C++  
ML Libs Keras, Tensorflow  
Others Git, LaTeX

## Relevant Coursework

- U.Graduate Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistical Inference, Stochastic Processes, Complex Analysis, Machine Learning, Parallel Computing. [\[Link\]](#)
- Graduate Differential Geometry, Convex Analysis and Optimization, Quantum Mechanics, Knot Theory, Topology.