

# Craig Fouts

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I am an enthusiastic **scientist/engineer** interested in building mathematical descriptions of living systems and studying the dynamics of emergent behavior in the context of biomedical data.

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## EDUCATION

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<b>Imperial College London   PhD</b> Computational Systems Biology	<b>2025 – 2029</b>	<b>Columbia University   MSc</b> Applied Mathematics	<b>2022 – 2023</b>
<b>The Ohio State University   BSc</b> Computer Science & Engineering	<b>2018 – 2022</b>	<b>The Ohio State University   BSc</b> Mathematics (double major)	<b>2018 – 2022</b>

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## EXPERIENCE

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**Uppsala University | Vicković Group, Science for Life Laboratory**  
Computational Research Engineer **Oct 2024 – Sep 2025**

Developed a nonparametric neural topic model called ATLAS that elucidates anatomical structures and pathological motifs in single-cell datasets based on expression profile and spatial distribution.

**New York Genome Center | Technology Innovation Laboratory**  
Associate Computational Biologist II **Jan 2024 – Sep 2024**  
Graduate Research Assistant **Sep 2022 – Jan 2023**

Developed a probabilistic dimension reduction model called sceLDA that clusters anatomical structures in histological spinal cord datasets based on cell composition and spatial distribution.

**The Ohio State University | Translational Data Analytics Institute**  
Undergraduate Research Assistant **Aug 2021 – Sep 2022**

Developed a computational pipeline for aggregating and analyzing multimodal data collected from environmental sensors used to characterize the effects of aircraft engines in urban neighborhoods.

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## ACCOLADES

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### Honors

<b>The Ohio State University:</b> Magna Cum Laude   Honors Research Distinction	<b>2022</b>
<b>Granville High School:</b> Cum Laude Society   National Honor Society   Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica	<b>2017</b>
<b>Scouting America:</b> Eagle Scout	<b>2016</b>

### Competitions

<b>HackOHIO Hackathon:</b> 1st Place Grand Prize   Microsoft Challenge Winner   People's Choice Award	<b>2021</b>
<b>Ohio State FEH Honors Robotics Competition:</b> 2nd Place Outstanding Achievement in Innovation	<b>2019</b>
<b>OMEA Solo &amp; Ensemble:</b> Rank 1 Class A Violin Solo Performance	<b>2016 &amp; 2017</b>

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## COURSEWORK

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### Columbia University

Applied Statistics III (A), Machine Learning for Functional Genomics (A), Advanced Linear Algebra (A+) **2023**  
Numerical Algebra & Optimization (A), Partial Differential Equations (A-) **2022**

### The Ohio State University

Discrete Mathematical Models (A), Quantitative Neuroscience (A), Computer Networking (A) **2022**  
Mathematical Statistics II (A), Advanced Artificial Intelligence (A), Programming Languages (A) **2021**  
Data Structures & Algorithms (A), Experimental Physics (A), Intermediate Mechanics (A-) **2020**  
Ordinary Differential Equations (A), Honors Physics Electricity & Magnetism (A) **2019**  
Honors Real Analysis (A), Honors Psychology (A) **2018**

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### Growing Steerable Neural Cellular Automata

Ettore Randazzo, Alexander Mordvintsev, & **Craig Fouts** (24 – 28 July 2023). *Growing Steerable Neural Cellular Automata*. Proceedings of ALIFE 2023 (pp. 4 – 10). [https://doi.org/10.1162/isal\\_a\\_00564](https://doi.org/10.1162/isal_a_00564)

### Growing Isotropic Neural Cellular Automata

Alexander Mordvintsev, Ettore Randazzo, & **Craig Fouts** (18 – 22 July 2022). *Growing Isotropic Neural Cellular Automata*. Proceedings of ALIFE 2022 (pp. 65 – 72). [https://doi.org/10.1162/isal\\_a\\_00552](https://doi.org/10.1162/isal_a_00552)