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# Education

#### University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, California [2021]

- B.S. Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences; Engineering Mathematics & Statistics
- College of Engineering Dean's Honors list, 4.0 GPA

#### University of Toronto Toronto, Ontario [2017]

- Undergraduate Mathematics and Computer Science, 4.0 GPA
- Classes taken while in high-school, see below

#### University of Toronto Schools Toronto, Ontario [2017]

# **Publications**

Asterisks indicate equal contribution.

#### Conference Papers

1. {Under Review} Mehta, H.\*, Dubey, R.\*, & Lombrozo, T. (2018). Your liking is my curiosity: a social popularity intervention to induce curiosity. Submitted to the 40th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

# Research Experience

#### Computational Cognitive Science Lab [2018]

University of California, Berkeley · Berkeley, California

- Studying rational models of curiosity and belief change to develop insights about cognitive phenomena
- Collecting and cleaning real-world data with Python and R to quantitatively inform cognitive models
- Applying statistical methods to analyze Big Data from online user interactions

#### Concepts and Cognition Lab [2018]

University of California, Berkeley · Berkeley, California

- Studying curiosity as a psychological phenomenon and its interplay with an individual's social context
- Designing, administrating and evaluating web-based studies created with NodeJs, HTML and CSS
- Publication submitted to the 40th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (first first author)

### Department of Psychology [2017]

University of Toronto · Toronto, Ontario

- Studied potential evidence-based positive education interventions under Dr. Jeffrey Graham
- Analyzing student research data using R, Python and SPSS
- Developed and refined predictive models of student performance using Scikit-Learn

# **Industry Experience**

#### CodeBase Berkeley Berkeley, California [2018]

Software Developer

- Working with Bay Area start-ups, Riffyn and Polymorph, to develop projects for clients
- Built an intuitive UI in Dash (Python) for users to visualize and perform multivariate regressions
- Exploring data analytics and machine learning to improve ad-pricing decisions

#### Parlay Ideas and AvatarMe Toronto, Ontario [2016]

Developer and Research Intern

- Researched education technology to design a virtual environment to gamify education
- Implemented a live twitter feed into the game, programmed with Unity and C sharp
- Prototyped an Amazon Aws noSQL database transition with engineers

### Awards & Honors

International Academic Honors

- 1. **International Chemistry Olympiad** *Nakhon Pathom, Thailand* [2017] Silver Medalist and Team Captain
- 2. International Chemistry Olympiad *Tbilisi*, *Georgia* [2016] Invited, Canada did not Participate

#### NATIONAL ACADEMIC HONORS

- 1. National Biology Contest Ninth Place [2017]
- 2. Canadian Chemistry Contest First Place [2016]

# Classes

### University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, California

- [Spring 2018] Psychology 290q, Cognitive Development for Computer Scientists (Graduate)
- [Spring 2018] Statistics 134, Concepts of Probability
- [Spring 2018] Math 110, Linear Algebra
- [Spring 2018] Computer Science 170, Efficient Algorithms and Intractable Problems
- [Spring 2018] Computer Science 61b, Data Structures
- [Fall 2017] [A+] Computer Science 70, Discrete Mathematics and Probability Theory
- [Fall 2017] [A+] Computer Science 61a, The Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs
- [Fall 2017] [A+] Electrical Engineering 16a, Designing Information Devices and Systems I

#### University of Toronto

Toronto, Ontario

- [Summer 2014] [A+] Math 223, Linear Algebra I
- [Fall 2016] [A+] Math 232, Calculus of Several Variables
- [Summer 2015] [A+] Math 135, Calculus
- [Fall 2015] [A+] Computer Science 108, Introduction to Computer Programming
- [Summer 2013] [A+] Math 102, Introduction to Mathematical Proofs

# **Teaching Experience**

## Computer Science Mentors

 $University\ of\ California,\ Berkeley\cdot\ Berkeley,\ California$ 

• [Spring 2018] Computer Science 70, Discrete Math & Probability Theory

## Facilitated Study Group Leader

 $University\ of\ Toronto\cdot\ Toronto,\ Ontario$ 

- [Spring 2017] Math 102, Introduction to Mathematical Proofs
- [Fall 2016] Math 102, Introduction to Mathematical Proofs
- [Fall 2016] Math 135, Calculus
- [Spring 2016] Math 102, Introduction to Mathematical Proofs
- [Fall 2015] Math 102, Introduction to Mathematical Proofs
- [Fall 2015] Economics 100, Introduction to Economics