# Iago Mendes

## Computational Physicist

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## Education

Bachelor's Degree, Oberlin College

Physics & Computer Science Double Major

Spring 2021 - Fall 2024

• Overall GPA: **4.01** / 4.00. Major GPA: **4.03** / 4.00.

• STRONG (Science and Technology Research Opportunities for a New Generation) Scholar

• John F. Oberlin Scholarship Recipient

• Relevant Coursework:

Modern Physics Classical Mechanics Astrophysics: Stars & Planets Data Structures (Java) Waves & Optics Quantum Mechanics Algorithms

Computational Physics (**Python**) Electromagnetism & Thermodynamics Systems Programming (**C**)

Systems Programming (C)

Theory of Computation Computer Architecture (Assembly)

### Research

Isometric Embedding of Black Hole Horizons in Euclidean Space Robert Owen's Lab, Oberlin College & SXS Collaboration

Fall 2021 – Present

- Implemented method in a finite-difference code (bit.ly/FDEmbed) & in the Spectral Einstein Code.
- Ran and studied binary black hole merger **simulations** in a high-performance **supercomputer**.
- Publications: in-progress paper in which I am the first author that will be published within 2 months.
- Conference presentations: APS April Meeting (2023, 2024) & Oberlin's Symposium (2022, 2023).
- Invited for Oberlin's Physics Honors Program and selected as an Oberlin's Featured Researcher.

# Work Experience

Oberlin College – Oberlin, OH

Resident Assistant, Underrepresented in STEM House Teaching Assistant Fall 2021 – Present Fall 2022 – Present

• Courses: Mechanics & Relativity, Electromagnetism & Thermo., and Programming Abstractions.

Google – Bay Area, CA

Software Engineer Intern, Wear OS

Summer 2023

- Used Java and C++ to develop features on the Android operating system for smartwatches.
- Collaborated with my team and others, including managers, input engineers, and UX designers.

Training Software Engineer Intern, Google Assistant

Summer 2022

- Used **Angular** (**TypeScript**) to create reusable components for Google's issue-tracking platform.
- Completed entire development process: design doc, implementation, documentation, and launch.

## **Awards**

# Intl. Astronomy & Astrophysics Competition

- Gold Honor for being in the top 5% (2021, 2023).
- Silver Honor for being in the top 10% (2020).
- Ambassador Award for **recruiting** students (2020).

#### International Youth Math Challenge

- Silver Honor for being in the top 10% (2021).
- Bronze Honor for being in the top 20% (2020).

#### Intl. Astronomical Search Collaboration

• Provisional Discovery of an Asteroid (2021).

# Projects & Leadership

#### Star View

starview.one

- Developed app & website for stargazing conditions.
- 10k+ installs & 1k+ active users on Google Play.

#### Hyperbolic Spectral Solver

bit.ly/HySpec

• Solved hyperbolic eqns. with **spectral methods**.

#### Astronomical Olympic League

• Materials to prepare for Astronomy competitions.

#### Regional Astronomical Studies Center

• Lectures in public schools, eclipse observations, etc.