

# Matthew Knowles

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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I am interested primarily in Theoretical Computer Science. More specifically, problems in Optimisation, Complexity Theory and Computational Algebra.

## EDUCATION

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### University of York

York, UK

*MMath Mathematics, Grade: First (Expected)*

*October. 2018 – June 2022*

- Focus on Pure Mathematics, namely Algebra. I have also taken modules in Statistics.
- Third year group dissertation: *Numerical Solutions to Equations of In-Host Viral Dynamics.*

### Droitwich Spa High School

Worcester, UK

*A-Levels in Maths, Further Maths and Physics, Grades: ABB respectively*

*September. 2014 – June 2018*

## EXPERIENCE

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### Healthcare Market Analyst

November 2020 – Present

*The Griff Investment Fund*

*York, UK*

### Undergraduate Research Intern (Bioinformatics)

July 2020 – September 2020

*Department of Biology, University of York*

*York, UK*

- Developed a pipeline in Python to using the Burrows-Wheeler-Aligner and SAMTools to collect, sequence, align and call the peaks of ChIP-Seq data
- Further developed an R pipeline to apply machine learning libraries to the acquired data
- Identified transcription factors for further study into breast cancer treatment
- Collaborated with other interns to write up a report giving our findings

### Mathematics Student Ambassador

November 2018 – March 2020

*Department of Mathematics, University of York*

*York, UK*

### Store Assistant

October 2017 – December 2018

*WHSmith*

*Worcester, UK*

### Research Intern (Particle Physics)

July 2017 – August 2017

*School of Physics and Astronomy, University of Birmingham*

*Birmingham, UK*

- Using Python to visualise HiSPARC Cosmic ray data
- Applying statistical methods to the data to locate stars which are potential sources of cosmic radiation
- Presented results at the 6<sup>th</sup> annual HiSPARC conference at the University of Bath

## PROJECTS

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### Stock Price Prediction using Neural Networks | *Numpy, Yahoo Finance API, SciKitLearn*

September 2020

- Implemented a simple program to fetch stock price data using Yahoo Finance
- Time-series of price on close plotted using Matplotlib
- Used a recurrent neural network to predict future stock prices

### Pandemic Modeller using S.I.R equations | *Python, Matplotlib, Numerical Integration*

March 2020

- Implemented a python program to solve SIR equations using Numpy and Scipy
- Plotted results on a graph using Matplotlib
- Worked collaboratively with someone to develop a UI for the program

## SKILLS

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**Programming Languages:** Python, C++, R, Java, SQL, HTML/CSS

**Developer Tools:** Git, Vim, VS Code, Rstudio Server, Rstudio Desktop

**Communicative Languages:** **Fluency:** English, Norwegian **Intermediate:** Russian, German **Beginner:** Mandarin