# Meha Goyal Kumar

https://mehakumar.github.io/

### EDUCATION

## • University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Candidate for Master of Science in Computer Science, Advisor: Heng Ji

Champaign, IL Aug 2020 – present

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• Georgia Institute of Technology; GPA: 3.98/4.00

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Spanish, Research Option

Atlanta, GA

Aug 2016 - May 2020

#### SKILLS

- Languages: Java, C#, C, Python, MATLAB, HTML/CSS, JavaScript
- Coursework: AI, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Algorithms for Machine Learning

### Research

#### • BLENDER Lab at UIUC

Master's Thesis with Dr. Heng Ji

Champaign, IL

Aug 2020 – present

- Developed models for information extraction from natural language and multimedia sources
- Annotated data to enable further development, thesis topic to be determined

## • Expressive Machinery Lab at Georgia Tech

Atlanta, GA

Undergraduate Thesis with Dr. Brian Magerko

Aug 2018 - Jun 2020

- Developed creativity metrics for artificially intelligent agents in open-ended, improvisational installations
- Enabled creative decision making by studying computational creativity and machine learning
- $\circ\:$  Applied work to human-computer collaborative projects: LuminAI and the Robot Improv Circus

Meha Kumar, Duri Long, Brian Magerko. Creativity Metrics for a Lead-and-Follow Dynamic in an Improvisational Dance Agent. International Conference on Computational Creativity (ICCC), 2020.

## • Materials Science Research Scholars Program

Atlanta, GA

Jan 2017 - Dec 2017

Undergraduate Research with Dr. Arun Gokhale

- Tested Advanced High Strength Steels (AHSS) for use in the automobile industry
- o Measured AHSS across various strain rates and quantified a new microstructural feature
- o Saved hours of manual Excel work by building MATLAB scripts to process thousands of data points

## EXPERIENCE

### • Green Hills Software

Software Engineering Intern

Santa Barbara, CA

May 2020 - Aug 2020

- Developed the RISC-V Architecture Support Package (ASP) for u-velOSity, a real-time operating system
- Worked closely with the simulator and compiler teams to broaden RISC-V support across the toolchain

### • Green Hills Software

Santa Barbara, CA

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Software Engineering Intern
- Solved long-standing bugs in high reliability, high security embedded software systems
- Studied debugging principles and developed course materials for a university debugging class

# • JDA Software

Roswell, GA

 $Software\ Engineering\ Intern$ 

May 2018 - Aug 2018

- o Re-architected non-standardized, untested RESTful APIs for work force management automation
- o Designed and implemented maintainable software architecture in C# backend code

## PROJECTS

# • College of Computing Hackathon

Atlanta, GA

 $Web\ Application$ 

Feb 2018

- o Crowdsourced the status of campus printers so users can see which has paper before getting there
- o Implemented using SQLite, Flask, and Python on the backend and HTML/CSS for frontend

## • Idea to Prototype Entrepreneurial Project

Atlanta, GA

Aug 2017 - Dec 2017

o Enabled intuitive interaction with 3D software for engineers and artists by building a 3D mouse

• Developed software for the interactive demonstration in Python, explored networking with Raspberry Pi

# • Hardware Hackathon

Atlanta, GA

 $Best\ Design\ Award$ 

Apr 2017

 $\circ~$  Built a touch-sensitive interactive map of campus to teach Dijkstra's Algorithm using Arduino

• Machined a laser-engraved graph of campus and wired circuit to use capacitive touch sensing

## LEADERSHIP

# • University of Illinois Department of Computer Science

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Champaign, IL Aug 2020 – present

- Assisted in course management for a Machine Learning course
- o Held office hours, created exams and homework, and helped run online lecture

## • Georgia Tech College of Computing

Atlanta, GA

Senior Teaching Assistant

Jan 2017 - Dec 2018

- o Taught recitations of 50 students on MATLAB coding and introductory computer science
- o Managed a team of 40 people to create, edit, and grade exams to be taken by 800 students

### • The Girl Code Project

Atlanta, GA

Lecturer and Mentor

Jan 2017 - Aug 2017

- o Taught middle school girls Python coding and developed exercises to boost their confidence
- o Mentored girls through designing a STEM-themed video game in Python on a virtual machine

## AWARDS AND HONORS

• Engineering and Technical Science Achievement Scholarship: Alpha Omega Epsilon, Merit-Based Jan 2018

• Materials Science and Engineering Research Scholarship: Georgia Tech, Merit-Based

Jan 2017

• PPD Employee Dependent Scholarship: Merit-Based

Aug 2016 - May 2020

• Society of American Military Engineers Scholarship: Merit-Based

Aug 2016