

# MICHAEL RAY

Accomplished student with more than four years of research experience now looking to move into the data science industry

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## EXPERIENCE

### Research Assistant

#### Supervised by Dr. Rosalba Perna

May 2021 – Present

Stony Brook University

- I work on problems in computational astrophysics. This work has allowed me to improve my data analysis and programming skills. I use Python daily in order to perform data analysis.

### Research Assistant

#### Supervised by Dr. Philip Argyres

March 2020 – Aug 2021

University of Cincinnati

- I worked on problems in quantum field theory. This work allowed me to greatly improve my mathematical skills and abstract thinking skills.

### Research Assistant

#### Supervised by Dr. Colin Bischoff

Jan 2018 – March 2020

University of Cincinnati

- This work was in cosmological data analysis. See further info below under "Projects".

## PROJECTS

### Deep Learning Stock Market Predictor

- [https://github.com/michaelray1/rh\\_trading](https://github.com/michaelray1/rh_trading)
- This package uses tensorflow to train a neural network to make stock market predictions. Through this project, I learned how messy real-world data can be and how to work with messy data. I also learned the basics of neural networks and how to apply tensorflow to train a neural network. Additionally, I gained extra practice using object-oriented design for my programming.

### Cosmological Data Analysis

- [https://github.com/michaelray1/messenger\\_method](https://github.com/michaelray1/messenger_method)
- This is part of my work with Dr. Bischoff. I built (from scratch) a data pipeline in Python to take in astronomical data and output a "cleaned" version of the data. Through this experience, I became highly skilled in data manipulation, analysis, and visualization using Python. I also learned coding best-practices and how to use object-oriented design to modularize code.

### Charged Particle Simulator

- <https://github.com/michaelray1/AdvLabComputation/blob/master/AdvLabComputation.py>
- Simulation in python to solve for the path of a charged particle under the influence of a specified E-M field

## SKILLS

- Programming**  
Python (5 years) - {Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib}; Linux/Command Line (4 years); C++(6 months); object-oriented programming; Git/Github

## EDUCATION

### M.A. Physics

#### Stony Brook University

Aug 2021 – Aug 2022

### B.S. Physics; B.S. Mathematics (double major)

#### University of Cincinnati

Aug 2017 – May 2021

- 3.98/4.0 cumulative GPA

## DOCUMENTED WORKS

### Publications

- P. C. Argyres, M. Martone, and M. Ray, Dirac pairings, one-form symmetries and Seiberg-Witten geometries, (2022), [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2204.09682>]

### Other Works

- Undergraduate Thesis in Mathematics**
  - [https://michaelray1.github.io/assets/Math\\_Capstone\\_FD.pdf](https://michaelray1.github.io/assets/Math_Capstone_FD.pdf)
- Undergraduate Thesis in Physics**
  - Paper: [https://michaelray1.github.io/assets/Senior\\_capstone\\_physics.pdf](https://michaelray1.github.io/assets/Senior_capstone_physics.pdf)
  - Poster: [https://michaelray1.github.io/assets/Capstone\\_poster\\_physics.pdf](https://michaelray1.github.io/assets/Capstone_poster_physics.pdf)
- CMB Data Analysis Poster**
  - Second place in UC Physics poster competition
  - <https://journals.uc.edu/index.php/Undergradshowcase/article/view/4117/3124>
- CMB-S4 Internal Logbook Posting**
  - [https://cmb-s4.uchicago.edu/wiki/index.php/PureB\\_by\\_Messenger\\_Method](https://cmb-s4.uchicago.edu/wiki/index.php/PureB_by_Messenger_Method)

## AWARDS

- Fellowships:**  
NDSEG Fellowship (2022, 4% acceptance rate, declined to pursue career in data science); SBU Fellowship (2021-22); Joiner Fellowship (2020)
- Selected Scholarships (I won 16 total merit-based scholarships between 2017 and 2021):**  
Physics Alumni Endowed Scholarship (2019-20); UC Physics Scholarship (2018-21); Cincinnati University Scholarship (2017-21); UC Arts and Sciences Scholarship (2017-19)
- Miscellaneous:**  
UC Sophomore Achievement Award in Physics; Dean's List; Member of Sigma Pi Sigma physics honor society; Member of Phi Beta Kappa academic honor society; Eagle Scout