# Pascal Sturmfels

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#### **EDUCATION**

APRIL 2018 BSE in Computer Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

COURSE WORK: Natural Language Processing, Data Structures and Algorithms,

Microprocessors, Computer Organization, Theory of Algorithms

GPA: 4.00/4.00

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Current | Secure Smartphone Communication

University of Michigan

Developing a peer-to-peer, censorship resistant micro-blogging app for iOS. Designing a protocol to route messages in an ad-hoc network, and promote coverage of highly rated messages. Implementing a message-authentication algorithm to verify the integrity and ownership of messages.

**SUMMER 2016** 

Computer Scheduling and Optimization

University of Maryland

Improved the approximation bounds of existing algorithms for scheduling in the online concurrent open shop model and the online coflow model. Implemented modern algorithms for coflow scheduling on randomized bipartite graphs to compare heuristic methods.

MAY 2016 -

Computational Biology

JULY 2015 | University of California, Berkeley

Developed data visualization tools for next-generation sequencing software. Reduced storage size of genomic datasets by an order of magnitude. Designed lair.berkeley.edu, a website containing a database of analyses from published genomic papers, and corresponding back-end to analyze published papers automatically.

## PERSONAL WORK

Current

iPhone Game Development

I'm solo-developing an iPhone game, Avalanche, using Swift and SpriteKit. I plan to integrate Apple's Game Center framework to track user progress, and simulate fluid physics for more involved gameplay.

Current

Director of Technology at  $K\Theta\Pi$ 

I'm the director of technology for the professional informatics fraternity Kappa Theta Pi. My responsibilities include managing a team to design the front and back of our website, hosting public technology workshops every semester, and acting as a consultant for our member's technology projects.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

[1] Harold Pimentel, Pascal Sturmfels, Nicolas Bray, Pall Melsted, and Lior Pachter. "The Lair: A resource for exploratory analysis of published RNA-Seq data". In: *bioRxiv* (2016). DOI: 10.1101/056200.