# **NATHAN HATCH**

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### **EDUCATION**

Georgia Institute of Technology Atlanta, GA

Ph.D. Machine Learning August 2017 – expected 2022

University of Chicago Chicago, IL

B.S. Mathematics with honors September 2010 – June 2014

B.S. Computer Science with honors

GPA: 3.94

Universitat Pompeu FabraBarcelona, SpainStudy abroad programJanuary – March 2013

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Georgia Tech Presidential Fellowship	2017 - 2021
UChicago Dean's List	2010 - 2014
UChicago University Scholarship	2010 - 2014
UChicago National Merit Scholarship	2010 - 2014
UChicago Student Marshal	2013
Phi Beta Kappa	2013
UChicago Fulton Prize for Orchestral Excellence	2012

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Dr. Zsolt Kira**, Georgia Institute of Technology Atlanta, GA

Unsupervised curriculum learning project September 2017 - December 2017

Devised and implemented a deep curriculum/transfer learning algorithm for MNIST clustering

• Discovered a statistically significant asymmetry regarding the 'continental' digit 7

**Prof. Gregory Shakhnarovich**, Toyota Technological Institute Chicago *Chicago*, *IL* 

Character recognition project

February 2015 - September 2015

- <a href="https://github.com/nhatch/casia">https://github.com/nhatch/casia</a>
  - Built and trained convolutional neural networks for recognizing Chinese characters from CASIA
  - Managed GPU hardware and software using AWS EC2
- <a href="https://github.com/nhatch/mnist">https://github.com/nhatch/mnist</a>
  - Built a 97%-accurate MNIST classifier in Python with no deep learning library (just NumPy)

Prof. Paul Sally, Dept. Mathematics, U. of Chicago

Chicago, IL

Congruent numbers seminar

June - July 2012

- Worked with Prof. Paul Sally and 7 undergraduates to solve problems and present proofs
- Analyzed and verified results on congruent numbers and their relation to elliptic curves

Prof. Peter May, Dept. Mathematics, U. of Chicago

Chicago, IL

VIGRE REU Apprentice

June - July 2011

• Researched, drafted, revised, and published a 13-page expository paper in mathematics

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**Hatch, N.** <u>Unsupervised Curriculum Learning for Image Clustering</u>. Poster presented for: CS 7643 Deep Learning Class Project; 2017 Nov 29; Atlanta, GA. <a href="https://nhatch.github.io/files/image-clustering.pdf">https://nhatch.github.io/files/image-clustering.pdf</a>>

**Hatch, N.** <u>Group Theory: An Introduction and an Application</u>. U. of Chicago VIGRE REU; 2011. <a href="http://www.math.uchicago.edu/~may/VIGRE/VIGRE2011/REUPapers/Hatch.pdf">http://www.math.uchicago.edu/~may/VIGRE/VIGRE2011/REUPapers/Hatch.pdf</a>

## WORK EXPERIENCE

eSpark Learning Chicago, IL

Software engineer June 2014 - July 2017

*Full-stack software engineering in a fast-paced startup environment* 

- Led the annual iOS app release, removing 300ms tap delay and rewriting the video uploader
- Increased sales pipeline by 12% by integrating our product with Airwatch
- Improved academic fidelity metric from 80% to 87% by refining our app deployment system
- Implemented Apple's "Device Assignment" protocol, making our MDM first-to-market (solo project)
- Conducted ~20 interviews and code challenge reviews for recruiting

#### Dept. Computer Science, U. of Chicago

Chicago, IL

chiTCP developer

October 2013 - June 2014

- Implemented a TCP-over-TCP daemon for use in Borja Sotomayor's networks class
- Earned the position based on outstanding performance in that class the previous year

#### **Mission Street Manufacturing**

Santa Barbara, CA

Software intern

June - August 2013

Developed prototype front- and back-end software for consumer-friendly 3D printing

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Insight Tutoring** 

Chicago, IL

Volunteer tutor

January 2015 - May 2017

- Reviewed homework and class material for three economically disadvantaged sixth-grade students
- Periodically revisited old material for spaced retrieval practice

#### Dept. Computer Science, U. of Chicago

Chicago, IL

Homework grader

October - December 2012

- Graded twice-weekly discrete math problem sets for Laszlo Babai's graduate-level class
- Earned the position among 25 students based on outstanding performance on "challenge problems"

#### Dept. Mathematics, U. of Chicago

Chicago, IL

SESAME teaching assistant

July 2012

• Assisted teaching a class for middle school math teachers on "problem-based learning"

#### Dept. Mathematics, U. of Chicago

Chicago, IL

Young Scholars Program Counselor

June - July 2012

- Tutored four 9th/10th-grade math students in an advanced summer math program
- Assisted teaching a class in basic computer programming
- Gave weekly reports on student progress, including helping to write a diagnostic exam

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Languages: Python, Lua, Ruby, Javascript/HTML/CSS, Java, C

Deep learning frameworks: PyTorch, Torch, Keras

Proficient in Spanish

**HOBBIES** 

Georgia Tech Symphony Orchestra Chicago, IL

Violist August 2017 - present

Lakeview Symphony Orchestra Chicago, IL

Violist September 2016 - June 2017

Chicago Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra Chicago, IL

Violist March 2015 - August 2016

University of Chicago Symphony Orchestra Chicago, IL

Principal violist September 2010 - June 2014

Places visited: Spain, United Kindgom, Japan, Argentina, Brazil, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, China, Peru,

South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe

Other interests: rock climbing, salsa dancing