

# RITIK RAINA

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## 🎓 EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

September 2018 - June 2022

B.S. Cognitive Science: Specialization in Machine Learning and Neural Computation

## 📖 RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Advanced Data Structures  
Data Science in Practice  
Object Oriented Programming

Algorithms and Systems Analysis  
Computer Organization and Systems Programming  
Artificial Intelligence Algorithms

## 💻 SKILLS

**Languages** Java, Python, Swift, React.js, HTML, CSS, C++, LaTeX, Bash, Assembly  
**Software & Tools** UNIX, Git, Vim, Jupyter, MongoDB, CocoaPods, Google Firebase, OpenCV, OpenGL, Tensorflow

## </> EXPERIENCE & LEADERSHIP

CodePath | Tech Fellow

January 2020 - Present

**Worked with:** Xcode 11, Swift, CocoaPods

- Increased the largest pipeline of high-performing underrepresented engineers in tech via Codepath, a nonprofit that has raised \$1 million from Facebook.
- Taught Facebook-designed 12-week iOS course to 45+ students through the hands-on experience.
- As an instructor, I was required to maintain a high-level of understanding of the curriculum topics including but not limited to: Frameworks, iOS Libraries, Back-end (Parse), APIs, AutoLayout (constraints), and CocoaPods.

STAR Capital | Machine Learning Intern

July 2019 - September 2019

**Worked with:** Python, Tensorflow, OpenCV, Dlib C++, Firebase, SciPy, NumPy, Pandas, Keras

- Developed Python scripts which used Selenium, Request, and BeautifulSoup frameworks for evaluating web-scraping models. These models were then used to scrape credit rating documents off FinTech sites.
- Researched and developed CNN/Spatial models for training and evaluating facial detection & recognition systems based on employee facial data.
- Designed and implemented custom spatial algorithms and data structures for deriving facial landmarks.

VennPool | Software Developer

November 2018 - April 2019

**Worked with:** HTML/CSS/JavaScript, Bootstrap, Firebase, Expo, React

- Designed and developed the company website's interface using Bootstrap themes and CSS/Semantic UI.
- Communicated with mentors and investors as a part of the startup incubator, The Basement.
- Worked with Google Firebase APIs to authorize access to the application and control service operation access.

## 📚 RESEARCH

Reinforcement Learning and Cognitive Neuroscience Lab | Research Assistant

April 2020 - Present

**Worked with:** Prof. Marcello Mattar

- In progress with studying the effects of Reinforcement Learning when accompanied by high-dimensional and efficient representations of neural activity when playing Chess.
- Experience with RL Nets such as HotNets'16 and AlphaZero.

## 📁 PROJECTS

Invoice Logger

January 2020

**Uses:** MongoDB, Express, HTML/CSS/JavaScript, React

- Built a reactive web application using MERN stack for querying banking transactions uploaded to a MongoDB collection. Built to explore the various features of MongoDB Atlas.

Tweet4Me

December 2019

**Uses:** Swift, Alamofire, Twitter REST API, UIKit, AFNetworking

- Custom Twitter app for browsing and interacting with a personalized feed.
- Implements the Twitter RESTful API to supply feed with tweets and allow users to tweet, retweet, and favorite.

Awakened: Eye Predictor for User Vehicle Safety

October 2019

**Uses:** Python, SciPy Spatial, Dlib, iMutils

- A Python/Django application which could monitor the eyes of a driver. If the driver's eyes were closed for  $\geq 2$  seconds, an alert would buzz to wake the driver. After each vehicle trip, an online report would be made to measure the total time the driver was unconscious for. This was a group project built at the 2019 MLH SDHacks.