

# Gunbir Singh Baveja

[gbaveja@student.ubc.ca](mailto:gbaveja@student.ubc.ca)  
<https://github.com/sheerio>

Vancouver, BC

## Education

2022–26      **B.Sc.**, Computer Science, University of British Columbia  
GPA: 3.95/4.0

## Research Experience

2025–      Undergraduate Researcher, University of British Columbia (WLIURA)  
Advisor: Prof. Mark Schmidt  
2024      Visiting Student Researcher, KAIST  
Advisor: Prof. Joseph J. Lim  
2023      Research Intern, Delhi Technological University  
Advisor: Dr. Indu Singh

## Publications

 [Google Scholar](#)

### Peer-reviewed Conference Proceedings

C1. Baveja, G. S., Schmidt, M. & Lewandowski, A. *A Unified Noise-Curvature View of Loss of Trainability in NeurIPS Optimization for Machine Learning Workshop (OPT)* (2025).

### Working papers

W1. Baveja\*, G. S. *Exploration and Adaptation in Non-Stationary Tasks with Diffusion Policies* arXiv (CoRR). 2024.  
W2. Singh, I., Baveja\*, G. S., Khatri, S., Luthra, S. & Singh, T. *Iris and Palmprint Multimodal Biometric Recognition using Novel Preactivated Inverted ResNet and Hybrid Metaheuristic Optimized DenseNet* under review at IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems. 2024.  
W3. Baveja\*, G. S. & Singh, J. *Earthquake Magnitude and b value prediction model using Extreme Learning Machine* arXiv (CoRR). 2021.

### Academic Blogs

B1. Baveja, G. S. *On Effective Communication* Requietis (Blog). A reflective exploration of balancing precision, compression, and practicality. Feb. 2025. <https://sheerio.github.io/requietis/2025/02/comm/>.

- B2. Baveja, G. S. *The Illusion of Choice: Simulated Learning and Belief in AI* Requietis (Blog). Learning and adaptability in LLMs. Mar. 2025. <https://sheerio.github.io/requietis/2025/03/will/>.
- B3. Baveja, G. S. *The Hidden Bias in Scientific Objectivity* Requietis (Blog). Exploring how inherent biases influence scientific research. Mar. 2023. <https://sheerio.github.io/requietis/2023/03/learn-acc/>.
- B4. Baveja, G. S. *Understanding Bias in RL* Requietis (Blog). Understanding Bias-Variance Trade-off in RL through Stein's Paradox. Sept. 2023. <https://sheerio.github.io/requietis/2023/09/bias/>.

## Awards & Honors

|      |   |
|------|---|
| 2025 | WLIURA (NSERC) (\$6,000)  |
| 2025 | Undergraduate Research Award: AML-TN (\$5,000)                    |
| 2025 | Outstanding International Student Award (\$10,000)                |
| 2023 | Dean's List (2023, 2024, 2025)                                    |
| 2023 | Top 10 Leaderboard, NeurIPS Concordia Challenge                   |
| 2022 | International Work Terms Grant (\$1,000)                          |
| 2022 | Bronze Medal - National Rank 8, Asia Pacific Linguistics Olympiad |
| 2021 | Finalist, Intel Science and Engineering Fair                      |
| 2020 | Grand Award, IRIS National Fair                                   |
| 2020 | Second Award, Global Youth Science and Technology Bowl            |

## Teaching

### University of British Columbia

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 2025–<br>Present | Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, CPSC 340: Machine Learning and Data Mining |
|------------------|--|

## Projects & Tools

### Open Source & Projects

[GOL](#): Fully parallelized Game of Life.

[SchizoSpeak](#): An esolang created for schizophrenic programmers using TypeScript.

[Alokhe](#): An english pronunciation discord bot.

[better\\_rl](#): A deep RL experimentation tool providing insights into state-visitation, replay buffers, and policy analysis.

[Biologically Plausible Supervised Learning with MAP Inference](#): Revising existing code from [Map-prop](#) to JAX and scaling up to deeper networks, with supervision from [Stephen Chung](#).

[Continual Diffusion](#): Diffusion models for RL in non-stationary tasks.

## Presentations

### Talks

- T1. Baveja, G. S. *Efficient Policy Updates in Continual Reinforcement Learning Frameworks* KAIST Cognitive Learning for Vision and Robotics Group. 2024.
- T2. Baveja, G. S. *Scalable Unsupervised RL with Metric-Aware Abstraction* KAIST Reinforcement Learning Reading Group. June 2024.

## Other Experience

|      |  |
|------|--|
| 2020 | Machine Learning Intern, Bausch + Lomb |
| 2023 | Software Team Lead, Open Robotics      |

---

Last updated: November 23, 2025