

# MAYANK AGRAWAL

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## EDUCATION

### **Swarthmore College**

Pursuing B.A. in Computer Science and Philosophy

Thesis: *PAC Learning Ethics*

Advisor: Alan R. Baker

August 2014 - May 2018

GPA: 3.78 / 4.00

### **University of Oxford**

Visiting Student, St. Anne's College

October 2016 - June 2017

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Mercury Fund**

*Analyst Intern*

August 2016 - September 2016

*Houston, TX*

- Early stage venture capital fund with over \$250 million focusing on companies in the U.S. Midcontinent
- Researched, analyzed, and evaluated startups integrating life sciences with artificial intelligence
- Presented to fund's partners and advisors about fundamentals and landscape of machine learning

### **Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University**

*Developer*

May 2016 - August 2016

*Pittsburgh, PA*

- Full-time developer for RoboTutor, a project to create educational AI for students ages 7 - 10
- Developed arithmetic tutors and designed motivational agent to instill growth mindset in learner
- Entered in competition for attempt to win \$10 million and will be released as open-source afterwards

## RESEARCH

### **Action Selection Modelling Group, University of Oxford**

*Research Assistant*

February 2017 - Present

*Oxford, UK*

- Working under Professor Rafal Bogacz studying Parkinson's Disease and the onset of  $\beta$ -oscillations
- Creating mathematical models in order to predict oscillations, which will then be used to help therapies

### **Aguirre Lab, University of Pennsylvania**

*Summer Research Assistant*

June 2015 - August 2015

*Philadelphia, PA*

- Worked full-time under Professors Geoffrey K. Aguirre and David Brainard to study melanopsin
- Measured pupil distortion in response to flickering light to characterize nonlinear filters in eye
- Constructed distributed computing setup to automatically communicate and run experiments

## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

### **Spykes**

- Open-source Python library created and maintained by Northwestern University's Kording Lab
- Developing new visualization and analytic methods to facilitate neural spike analysis
- Incorporated robust testing suite and continuous integration to maintain health as others contribute

### **GreenMon**

- Created peer-to-peer system that dynamically turns on and off nodes in response to cluster usage
- Developed lightweight, scalable algorithm to bypass communication and avoid usage of master node
- Estimated power usage reduction of roughly 80% in schoolwide computing cluster

## TEACHING

Fall 2015, Spring 2016	Student Academic Mentor, <i>Swarthmore College</i>
Spring 2015	Computer Science Teaching Assistant, <i>Swarthmore College</i>
Summer 2014	Math Teaching Fellow, <i>Breakthrough Houston</i>
Summer 2013	Math Teaching Fellow, <i>Breakthrough Houston</i>
Summer 2012	Literature Teaching Assistant, <i>Breakthrough Houston</i>

## EXTRACURRICULARS

2014 -	NCAA Cross Country, Track & Field
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## HONORS & AWARDS

2017	Computational Neuroscience Travel Grant, <i>Swarthmore College Dept. of Cognitive Science</i>
2016	John W. Nason Community Service Fellowship, <i>Swarthmore College</i>
2014	Philip Evans Scholar, <i>Swarthmore College</i>

## SERVICE

2017 -	Council on Educational Policy, <i>Swarthmore College</i>
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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

<b>Computer Languages</b>	Python, C++/C, Java, MATLAB, R
<b>Tools</b>	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, Unix, git, OpenCV, MPI, Android Studio, NumPy, CUDA

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