# Vishweshwar Tyagi

Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

2021-2022	MS in Data Science, Columbia University, USA	3.97/4
2019 – 2021	MS in Mathematics, IIT Kanpur, India	9.0/10
2016-2019	BS in Mathematics, University of Delhi, India	9.4/10

## Research Interests

hierarchical Bayesian models, probabilistic programming, Monte Carlo methods, statistical machine learning, stochastic processes

# Experience

#### Research Experience

2023 – Data Scientist, Department of Neurology, Columbia University, New York, USA

Present O Developed hierarchical Bayesian models to estimate motor recruitment curves from sparse neurophysiological data of brain and spinal cord stimulation

- Implemented mixture models to detect and down-weight outlier observations, improving robustness of inference
- Applied Bayesian mixed effects models in intervention studies to detect change in motor threshold with fewer participants compared to frequentist tests
- Released open-source Python package hbMEP, which formed basis of funded NIH grant on real-time adaptive stimulation and supported preliminary analyses for \$1.25M CDMRP grant optimizing stimulation parameters in human and rodent studies

## Industry Experience

#### Summer Data Science Intern, Quartet Health, New York, NY

- 2022  $\odot$  Improved identification of high-risk patients for mental health conditions by fine-tuning large language model BERT on clinical notes using transfer learning in PyTorch, increased F2-score by 13% over XGBoost baseline
  - Built end-to-end pipeline on Amazon Redshift using dbt and SQL to automate transformation of medical claims data and added unit tests to validate pipeline output
  - Leveraged pipeline to evaluate insurance network quality, reduced claim denial rates by 7% through outlier detection, and identified network gaps, saving \$20K in referral costs

## **Publications**

2025 Tyagi, V., Murray, L. M., Asan, A. S., Mandigo, C., Virk, M. S., Harel, N. Y., Carmel, J. B., McIntosh, J. R. (2025). Hierarchical Bayesian estimation of motor-evoked potential recruitment curves yields accurate and robust estimates. Brain Stimulation.

#### Under Review

2025 Pascual-Leone, A.\*, **Tyagi, V.\***, Asan, A.S.\*, Rocha-Flores, P.E., Rodriguez-Lopez, O., Voit, W.E., McIntosh, J.R.†, Carmel, J.B.† (2025). *Electrode position, size, and orientation determine efficacy of cervical epidural stimulation to recruit forelimb muscles in rats.* bioRxiv.

## Software

Maintainer hbMEP (hbmep.github.io/hbmep/)

# Teaching

## Teaching Assistant, Columbia University

- Fall 2022 Applied Deep Learning (COMS W4995)
- Spring 2022 Applied Machine Learning (COMS W4995)
- Spring 2022 Analysis and Optimization (MATH V2500)
  - Fall 2021 Reinforcement Learning (ELEN E6885)
  - Fall 2021 Calculus I (MATH UN1101)

## Conferences

2024 Tyagi, V., Murray, L. M., Asan, A. S., Mandigo, C., Virk, M. S., Harel, N. Y., Carmel, J. B., McIntosh, J. R. (2024). Hierarchical Bayesian estimation of motor-evoked potential recruitment curves yields accurate and robust estimates. Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Nanosymposium on Analytical Computational Tools, October 2024, Chicago, Illinois.

## Technical Skills

Programming Python, C++, R, SQL

Bayesian Pyro, NumPyro, Stan

ML scikit-learn, PyTorch, Hugging Face, XGBoost, OpenAI

Tools Git, Docker, Bash, Linux, SSH

Data dbt, PostgreSQL, BigQuery, Redshift, MySQL