We are always looking for excellent students to join us and tackle exciting challenges together. Please feel free to drop us a line if you would like to join us.

Basic requirements: (1) **Self-motivated**. This is important since we do not usually push anyone to do anything, so you will not be able to learn much here if you do not motivate yourself or cannot devote much time; (2) **Strong mathematical background**. We value applications a lot, but our primary interests are in principled and rigorous approaches.

Prospective Students:

* Applicants to UVA PhD Program: please make sure that you have applied to [USC CS PhD program](https://www.cs.usc.edu/admission/phd-application-information) and select my name in the applicaion system or on your PS. I may not have time to discuss your application case by case; but I will try to...

**MS and Undergrads at USC**: I only admit students who (1) have relevant experiences on areas of mine or have strong performance on math/stats courses; and (2) could devote enough time on research. Please highlight these in your email including a time plan. We prefer students who can stay during summer.

 **Visitors & summer interns**: Visitors are mostly recommended by my collaborators and have external funding support. The minimal duration of stay at USC is 12 weeks (preferrably 6 months - 1 year). Please indicate the time range in your email.