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EDUCATION

Princeton University

Ph.D. student in Computer Science Department (Advisor: Sanjeev Arora).

Princeton, NJ
2022 - Present

Carnegie Mellon University

B.S. Artificial Intelligence, School of Computer Science.
GPA: 3.95/4.00

Pittsburgh, PA
2018-2022

HONORS

CMU Senior Leadership Recognition Recipient

May 2022

Phi Beta Kappa

May 2022

CMU SCS College Honors (successful completion of senior thesis)

May 2022

Dean's List

Spring 2019 – May 2022

PUBLICATIONS

[1] *Skill-Mix: a Flexible and Expandable Family of Evaluations for AI models* [\[Link\]](#)

Dingli Yu, **Simran Kaur**, Arushi Gupta, Jonah Brown-Cohen, Anirudh Goyal, Sanjeev Arora.
In *Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2024.
In *Workshop on Distribution Shifts (NeurIPS)*, 2023.

[2] *Disentangling the Mechanisms behind Implicit Regularization in SGD* [\[Link\]](#)

Zachary Novack, **Simran Kaur**, Tanya Marwah, Saurabh Garg, Zachary C. Lipton.
In *Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2023.
Spotlight in *Higher Order Optimization in Machine Learning Workshop (NeurIPS)*, 2022. [Best Poster Award]

[3] *On the Maximum Hessian Eigenvalue and Generalization* [\[Link\]](#)

Simran Kaur, Jeremy Cohen, Zachary C. Lipton.
Contributed talk at *"I Can't Believe It's Not Better!" Workshop (NeurIPS)*, 2022.

[4] *Gradient Descent on Neural Networks Typically Occurs at the Edge of Stability* [\[Link\]](#)

— Jeremy M. Cohen, **Simran Kaur**, Yuanzhi Li, Zico Kolter, Ameet Talwalkar.
In *Proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2021.
In *Opt2020: 12th Annual Workshop on Optimization for Machine Learning (NeurIPS)*, 2020.

[5] *Are Perceptually-Aligned Gradients a General Property of Robust Classifiers?* [\[Link\]](#)

— **Simran Kaur**, Jeremy Cohen, Zachary C. Lipton.
In the *Science Meets Engineering of Deep Learning Workshop (NeurIPS)*, 2019.

TEACHING

Princeton University

- Teaching Assistant for *COS 324: Introduction to Machine Learning*.
Fall 2023 (for Junior Research Work), Spring 2024.

Carnegie Mellon University

- Teaching Assistant for *15281 Artificial Intelligence: Representation and Problem Solving*.
Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021 (Head TA), Fall 2021 (Head TA), Spring 2022 (Head TA)
- Teaching Assistant for *10301/10601 Introduction to Machine Learning (Undergraduate and Graduate Level)*.
Summer 2020.

SERVICE

- Conference Reviewing: NeurIPS **2023 – Present**
- Co-organizer for Princeton Algorithms & Machine Learning (Alg-ML) Seminar [\[Link\]](#) **Fall 2023 – Present**
- Princeton Language and Intelligence (PLI) Blog Board Member [\[Link\]](#) **Fall 2023 – Present**

SKILLS

Programming: Python, C, Java, Standard ML, R, LaTeX

Frameworks & Softwares: PyTorch, Matlab, Jupyter Notebook, Git

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

10-315 Machine Learning	15-281 Artificial Intelligence	11-485 Deep Learning
11-711 Algorithms for NLP	16-385 Computer Vision	36-218 Probability Theory
15-210 Parallel & Sequential Algorithms	15-251 Great Theoretical Ideas in CS	15-122 Data Structures & Algorithms
15-213 Computer Systems	15-150 Functional Programming	36-401 Modern Regression
10-725 Convex Optimization	COS511 Theoretical Machine Learning	COS521 Advanced Algorithms
APC550 Probability in High Dimensions		

HOBBIES

Running, painting, and baking biscotti