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EDUCATION

University of California Berkeley September 2021 - Present
Ph.D. in Computer Science
Advisors : [Prof. Nika Haghtalab](#), [Prof. Michael I. Jordan](#)

University of Waterloo May 2021
M.Math. in Computer Science
Advisor : [Prof. Shai Ben-David](#)

University of Waterloo August 2019
B.Math. *with Distinction - Dean's Honours List (Highest Honours)*
Majors : Computer Science, Combinatorics and Optimization

WORKING PAPERS

- **Is Knowledge Power? On the (Im) possibility of Learning from Strategic Interactions.** Nivasini Ananthakrishnan, Nika Haghtalab, Chara Podimata, Kunhe Yang. ([arXiv](#))

PUBLICATIONS

- **Privacy Can Arise Endogenously in an Economic System With Learning Agents.** *Symposium on Foundations of Responsible Computing (FORC), 2024*
Nivasini Ananthakrishnan, Tiffany Ding, Mariel Werner, Sai Praneeth Karimireddy, Michael I. Jordan. ([arXiv](#))
- **Delegating Data Collection in Decentralized Machine Learning.** *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), 2024* ([arXiv](#))
Nivasini Ananthakrishnan, Stephen Bates, Michael I. Jordan, Nika Haghtalab.
- **Identifying Regions of Trusted Predictions.** *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI), 2021* ([PDF](#))
Nivasini Ananthakrishnan, Shai Ben-David, Tosca Lechner, Ruth Urner.
- **On Learnability with Computable Learners.** *International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT), 2020* ([PDF](#))
Sushant Agarwal, Nivasini Ananthakrishnan, Shai Ben-David, Tosca Lechner, Ruth Urner.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- NSERC (National Science and Engineering Research Council) Canada Graduate Scholarship - Masters, 2020.
- David R. Cheriton Graduate Scholarship, 2019-2020.
- NSERC Undergraduate Research Award, 2019.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Amazon Seattle
Applied Scientist Intern June 2021 - August 2021

Microsoft
Data Scientist Intern

Vancouver, Canada
June 2021 - August 2021

SideFX Software
Software Developer Intern

Toronto, Canada
May 2017 - August 2017

IBM - J9 Virtual Machine Team
Software Developer Intern

Ottawa, Canada
May 2016 - August 2016

ACTIVITIES

- Graduate Student Instructor at University of California Berkeley for Introduction to statistical learning theory (CS 281A).
- Teaching Assistant at University of Waterloo for courses - Statistical and computational foundations of Machine Learning (CS 485), Logic and computation (CS 245), Operating systems (CS 350).
- Mentor in the Berkeley AI Research undergraduate research mentorship program.
- Reviewer for AISTATS (2023, 2024) conference, [Neurocomputing](#) (2020) journal.
- [Technovation](#) mentor - Mentored team of high school girls to build mobile app (January 2019 - December 2019).