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EDUCATION

UNIV. OF WISCONSIN MADISON

PHD IN MATHEMATICS, CS MINOR
Aug 2025 | Madison, WI
Cum. GPA: 3.63 / 4.0
Research | Machine Learning, Data
Science, Algebraic Geometry

UNIV. OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

BSc IN MATHEMATICS
May 2020 | Urbana, IL
Magna Cum Laude w/ Highest Distinction
Cum. GPA: 3.97 / 4.0

MATH IN MOSCOW

STUDY ABROAD
May 2018 | Moscow, Russia

LINKS

Website:// karansrivastava.com
Github:// [ksrivastava1](https://github.com/ksrivastava1)
LinkedIn:// [ksrivastava1](https://www.linkedin.com/in/ksrivastava1)

COURSEWORK

GRADUATE - CS

Mathematical foundations of Machine
Learning
Matrix Methods in Machine Learning
Neural Networks
Nonlinear Optimization

GRADUATE - MATH

Topics in Mathematical Data Science
Probability Theory
Applied Algebra
Algebraic Geometry
Abstract Algebra
Topics in Algebra
Representation Theory
Ring Theory
Algebraic Topology

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Proficient:
Python • Tensorflow • Pytorch • Pandas
Keras • Java • \LaTeX
Intermediate
C • C++ • CSS • HTML
Familiar
R • SQL

PROJECTS AND EXPERIENCE

ERDÖS INSTITUTE | DATA SCIENCE BOOTCAMP + PROJECT

May 2022 - July 2022

- Participated in a **Data Science bootcamp** held by the Erdős Institute at Ohio State University.
- Completed challenging coursework and problem sessions in building and coding regression models, deep and convolutional neural networks, and other areas of data science and ML.
- For the final project, worked with the **"What's Cooking?" dataset from Kaggle**.
- Used dimensionality reduction and clustering analyses to determine similarity between cuisines based on their ingredients.
- Worked on Random Forest, Linear SVC, and other classification models achieving an accuracy of $\approx 80\%$.
- Project presentation and code base can be found at [this page](#).

RESEARCH

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON | RESEARCHER

August 2021 - July 2021 | Madison, WI

Worked with **Prof Daniel Alarcon** on bounding a novel method of **reconstructing linear data** in a robust way with noise and published findings at the **ISIT 2022**. Slides can be found [here](#)

ILLINOIS GEOMETRY LAB | UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER

Mar 2012 - May 2013 | Ithaca, NY

Work on projects in Elliptic Curves, Symplectic Manifolds, and Modeling host-parasite interactions in evolutionary biology with **Prof Dominic Culver**, **Prof Susan Tolman**, and **Prof Zoi Rapti**. Posters can be found [here](#) and [here](#)

MENTORSHIP

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON | TEACHING ASSISTANT

Aug 2020 - Present | Madison, WI

Taught courses in Business Calculus*, Calculus 2*, Discrete Mathematics* at the UW Math Department and gained experience explaining technical material to non-technical audiences of various backgrounds.

* Awarded superior teaching assistant rating by the Department of Mathematics

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON | DRP MENTOR

Aug 2021 - May 2022 | Madison, WI

Designed projects in **machine learning** and algebraic geometry and mentored undergraduate students in various reading advanced math and coding **neural networks**. Details can be found [here](#)

AWARDS

2020-2022	Univ. of Wisconsin	Exceptional Teaching Award
2017-2020	Univ. of Illinois	Edmund J James Scholar
2016-2020	Univ. of Illinois	Dean's List, Every Semester

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] K. Srivastava and D. Pimentel-Alarcón. A perturbation bound on the subspace estimator from canonical projections. In *2022 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*, pages 1617–1622, 2022.