# Nathan Stefanik

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# Summary \_\_\_\_\_

Dual major in math and computer science with a passion for research. Experienced in leading project teams in critical thinking to help generate creative solutions to challenging problems.

- Research interests include deep learning and natural language processing
- Working knowledge of machine learning, encryption, and cyber security
- Collaborates well with others. Effective project leader
- Creative and versatile in applying math and building models to solve complex problems

# Education \_\_\_\_

### **Georgia Institute of Technology**

BS IN MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE, GPA: 3.6/4

- Highest Honors
- Concentration in Machine Learning and Enterprise Computing
- Notable Math Courses: Real Algebraic Geometry & Optimization, Algebraic Topology, Statistical Theory, Probability Theory, Real Analysis, Complex Analysis, Abstract Algebra
- Notable CS Courses: Database System Implementations, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Honors Algorithms, Intro to AI, Computer Systems & Networks

# Experience \_\_\_\_\_

### **Invesco Ltd**

### INFO RISK AND CONTROLS INTERN

- Provided key insights to Global Risk and Controls team using data analysis
- Built incident ticket classification model using Doc2Vec and GMM with 70% accuracy
- Built software applications using PowerApps for internal risk management and control validation
- Processed large datasets in Python from Microsoft SQL Server using pyodbc

### **GT School of Math**

### GRADER FOR LINEAR ALGEBRA II

- Graded problem sets and progress for over 70 students
- Created answer key/rubric for assignments

### **Ascent Math**

### FOUNDER

- · Founded tutoring company focusing on peer instruction and consolidated local tutors under one network
- Created and led a summer camp for remedial math and advanced math for middle and high school students
- One-on-one instruction for math up to multivariable calculus and physics

# Projects \_\_\_\_\_

### **Initial Orbit Determinations in Projective Geometry**

### RESEARCHER

- Developing algebraic and numerical algorithms for Initial Orbit Detection (IOD) of objects in space using MATLAB and Macaulay2
- Researching tools in algebraic projective geometry to formalize methods

# Expected Dec 2022

June - August 2022

Fall 2021

May 2016 - Present

January 2022 - PRESENT

### Course2Career

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

- Built course-to-industry-skill mapping web application using Rocket
- Built complex queries using SeaORM to help generate graph visualizations of data

### The Conway Knot is not Slice

### Mentee

- Followed Piccirillo's proof on the Conway knot and sliceness
- Studied Morse theory, handle attachments, knot concordance, and knot frames and traces

### What Should I Add to My Playlist?

RESEARCHER

- Trained linear regression, lasso regression, random forest on spotify millions playlist dataset for next-song recommendation
- Created deep learning model using Conv2d and other layers using tensorflow/keras

### **Financial Sentiment Analysis**

RESEARCHER

- Proposed and implemented solutions in investment portfolio management theory
- (Tensorflow/Keras) Built feed forward neural network to predict price movement on tech stocks with 60% accuracy
- Building VADER sentiment analysis model on relevant Tweets to aid in retail trading decisions (Work in progress)

### **Music Generation with Transformers**

RESEARCHER

- Trained deep learning models on Bach's Well Tempered Klavier to generate new music
- Built model using Google Brain Magenta music transformer with custom layers using tensor2tensor library
- Built RNN and LSTM models using PyTorch

# Solving High Dimensionality Problems in Data Preprocessing

Researcher

- Built Python scripts to scrape financial data
- Developed modules to process data using tools such as Support Vector Machines, Principal Component Analysis, and K-Nearest Neighbors

### **Tropical Geometry/Combinatorics**

RESEARCHER

- Conducted literature review on intersection of tropical geometry and optimization problems
- Solved problems in combinatorics using tropical determinants and eigenvalues

# Skills

DBMS/APIs	Microsoft SQL Server, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Rocket
Languages	Python, C++, C, MATLAB, Java, Rust, SQL
Python Libraries	Tensorflow, Keras, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, SciPy, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib

# Honors & Awards \_\_\_\_\_

2018-22 Scholarship Recipient, Zell Miller Scholarship

# Extracurriculars

Aug - Dec 2022

Fall 2022

January 2021 - May 2022

Aug - Dec 2022

Spring 2021

Spring 2022

Jan 2021 - May 2021

### GT AI Safety Initiative

Member

Sep 2022 - PRESENT

• Collaborated in AI Technical Safey seminar and planned team project in examining bias in machine learning models

### GreyHat Cybersecurity Club

Member

Jan 2021 - PRESENT

• Contributed to weekly lectures in cybersecurity and completed club's cybersecurity demonstrations