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ABOUT	I am an undergraduate student at USC studying Computer Science and Applied Mathematics. My research interests lie in the intersection of theoretical computer science and statistics, mainly using tools from learning and information theory. Recently, I have been interested in the role of memory in machine learning and optimization tasks.	
EDUCATION	University of Southern California , Los Angeles, CA <i>BS Computer Science, BS Applied Mathematics</i> 2022-2026 GPA: 4.0/4.0 Relevant Coursework: (graduate coursework <i>italicized</i>) <i>Completed:</i> <i>Theoretical Machine Learning, Algorithms</i> , Mathematical Statistics, Number Theory, Linear Algebra, Data Structures, Numerical methods, Computer Systems. <i>Projected (Fall 2024):</i> Cryptography, Real Analysis I, Computer Networking	
	Canyon Crest Academy , San Diego, CA <i>High School Diploma</i> 2018-2022 Unweighted GPA: 4.0/4.0, Weighted GPA: 4.64, ACT Score: 36/36	
EXPERIENCE	CS Theory Group, USC <i>Undergraduate Researcher</i> Spring 2023 - Current I am very fortunate to be advised by Prof. Vatsal Sharan. Below are some <i>projects</i> . (<i>Current</i>) Tradeoffs between memory and sample complexity in sparse principle component analysis (PCA). (<i>Current</i>) Tradeoffs between memory and sample complexity in smooth convex optimization. (<i>Past</i>) Researched fairness and biases in ML through <i>multicalibration</i> , under guidance of Sid Devic (Ph.D. student). Introduced to the field of learning theory and algorithmic fairness.	
	Quant SC, USC <i>Project Member</i> Fall 2022 - Current Participated in a semester long project learning and backtesting quantitative trading strategies.	
SKILLS	Theory: Statistical learning theory, algorithms, some basics of communication complexity. Applied CS: Experience with C/C++, x86 Assembly, Python, Java. Math: Strong but improvable background in linear algebra, probability/statistics theory, and analysis. Special interest in information theory.	
AWARDS	Dean's List , awarded by Dornsife (Mathematics) and Viterbi (CS) 2022 - Current WVT Rusch Honors Scholar , undergraduate research thesis program. 2023 - 2026 Viterbi Fellow , cash stipend awarded by Viterbi School of Engineering, \$1,500 2022 - 2026 Trustee Scholarship , full-tuition scholarship awarded by USC. 2022 - 2026 Provost Scholarship , research stipend by Viterbi School of Engineering, \$1,000 2024	
GROUPS & CLUBS	USC Theory Group , attends talks, occasional hikes, and continuous research. 2023 - Current Quant SC , participates in projects and meetings about algorithmic trading. 2022 - Current AI Safety Club , participates in weekly meetings and club reading group. 2024 - Current	