Aaron Berger

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Education

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Junior: Bachelor of Arts, Computer Science and Mathematics GPA: 3.98 (unweighted)

Relevant Coursework: Systems Programming & Machine Organization, Data Structures & Algorithms, Systems Deployment, Linear Algebra & Differential Equations, Multivariable Calculus, Sets Groups & Topology, Real Analysis

Skills

Languages/Frameworks:	Python, C, C++, Java, HTML/CSS, React Native, SQL
Other:	PyTorch, NumPy, ROS, Git, Bash, OpenCV

Experience

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY - Salakhutdinov Lab

Research Intern (Advised by Ben Eysenbach)

- Researched problems at the intersection of reinforcement learning and belief change.
- Released an article on the impact of AI in politics with actionable policy and research directions.

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY - Kantor Lab

Staff Programmer

- Developed a robust vision system for inserting micro-sensors into corn stalks to assist in farming, using Mask R-CNN, ICP, and RANSAC for image segmentation and point cloud analysis. Validated in farms in Iowa.
- Created a local, autonomous vineyard navigation pipeline, using deep learning for Lidar point cloud semantic segmentation, extended Kalman filters for tracking vineyard rows, and a custom path planning algorithm for driving. Validated pipeline in simulation.
- Designed a live drone mapping system for detecting 3D landmarks in forest environments, combining 2D image detection with Lidar-camera projection to yield faster results.
- Built simulation environment for Carnegie Mellon University students using Clearpath Robotics ROS robots and Gazebo simulator

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY - Intelligent Coordination and Logistics Lab

Research Intern

- Developed simulation package for testing air filter replacement on International Space Station, which is now used to test high-level planners at NASA.
- Researched and implemented optimization techniques for dense multi-vehicle routing problems, focused on assignment of areas to vehicles.

Leadership & Activities

ULTIMATE FRISBEE TEAM - Harvard University	Cambridge, Massachusetts	
Captain	8/2021 - Present	
HARVARD-RADCLIFFE ORCHESTRA	Cambridge, Massachusetts	
Violinist	8/2021 - Present	
CS50 : INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE - Harvard University	Cambridge, Massachusetts	
Teaching Fellow	8/2022 - 12/2022	
• Selected among 800 students for a teaching position, and led weekly sections to introduce and review		

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Cambridge, Massachusetts 5/2025

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

6/2020 - 8/2021, 5/2023 - 9/2023

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