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## Education

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### Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Sept. 2018 – May 2022

*Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Mathematics*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

*Minor in Statistics and Data Science, Philosophy*

## Research Experience

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### Molecular Generation via Keypoints

Nov. 2021 – June 2022

*MIT CSAIL, Jaakkola Lab*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Verified that keypoint creation used in EquiBind finds binding regions in PDBBind and SBDD-3D datasets.
- Supervised by Xiang Fu, Tommi Jaakkola.

### Smoothness in Scene Understanding

Oct. 2020 – June 2021

*MIT CSAIL, Torralba Lab*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Created a 2D image dataset from 3D scene renderings for scene understanding tasks.
- Identified latent space smoothness learned by StyleGAN and ProgressiveGAN algorithms.
- Supervised by Jonas Wulff, Antonio Torralba.

### Minimum Energy Paths

Feb. 2019 – Aug. 2020

*MIT DMSE, Bombarelli Lab*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Proposed new method of finding minimum energy paths based on differentiable ODE solvers.
- Proposed method outperformed traditional NEB method for finding minimum paths.
- Supervised by Wujie Wang, Rafael Gomez-Bombarelli.

### Foil Simulations for Vortex Dynamics

Sept. 2019 – Dec. 2019

*MIT MechE, van Rees Lab*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Investigated the drag reduction of flapping fins in simulations of numerical solutions to the Navier-Stokes equations.
- Supervised by David Fernandez-Gutierrez, Wim van Rees.

## Industry Experience

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### Microsoft Corporation

Aug. 2022 – Present

*Software Engineer*

*Redmond, WA, USA*

### Machine Learning Software Engineer Intern, Forecasting

June 2021 – Aug. 2021

*Palo Alto Networks, Inc.*

*Santa Clara, CA, USA*

- Investigated the fidelity of TimeGAN-generated time-series data for anomaly detection

## Other Research Projects

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### Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm for Multiple Ciphers

April 2022

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Created Metropolis-Hastings based algorithm to decode text with multiple ciphers.
- Algorithm outperformed half of the submitted algorithms in both runtime and correctness.
- Final project for 'Information and Inference' graduate course.

### Robustness of Random Forests on Multimodal ADNI Data

Oct. 2021 – Dec. 2021

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Tested the robustness of random forest (RF) classifiers on different modalities of the ADNI dataset.

- Verified how adversarial training improved the robustness of RF classifier across modalities.
- Final project for ‘Machine Learning’ graduate course.

### **Language Bias in Fake News Detection**

Oct. 2021 – Dec. 2021

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Empirically measured the bias of LSTM and Transformer-based models towards English in comparison to Japanese and Kurdish in fake news classification.
- Recognized types of tokens most responsible for the classification of fake news with gradient-based saliency methods.
- Final project for ‘Natural Language Processing’ course.

### **Clustering and Forecasting U.S. COVID-19 Trends**

Mar. 2021 – June 2021

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

*Cambridge, MA, USA*

- Investigated whether time-series based clustering methods given 2020-2021 COVID-19 infection data could reasonably cluster U.S. states based on trends.
- Analyzed the effectiveness of ARIMA models to accurately forecast COVID-19 case trends.
- Final project for ‘Statistics, Computation, and Applications’ course.