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EDUCATION

University of California - San Diego

San Diego, CA

Mathematics - Computer Science (B.S.) | GPA: 3.90/4.00

Expected: 2026

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Data Structures & Algorithm Design, Computer Organization, Machine Learning, AI Algorithms, Stochastic Processes, Real Analysis, Convex Optimization, Linear Algebra, Numerical Analysis, NLP

RESEARCH ARTICLES

AAAI'25 AICS (Accepted): E. Li, Z. Shang, O. Gungor, T. Rosing, "SAFE: Self-Supervised Anomaly Detection Framework for Intrusion Detection". [\[Link\]](#)

IEEE-SafeThings'25 (Accepted): J. Chen, Z. Shang, E. Li, O. Gungor, T. Rosing, "DYNAMITE: Dynamic Defense Selection for Enhancing Machine Learning-based Intrusion Detection Against Adversarial Attacks"

IEEE-CSR'24 Conference (Published): O. Gungor, E. Li, Z. Shang, Y. Guo, J. Chen, J. Davis, T. Rosing, "Rigorous Evaluation of Machine Learning-Based Intrusion Detection Against Adversarial Attacks" [\[Link\]](#)

EXPERIENCE

Amazon.com

Jun 2025 – Sep 2025

Software Development Engineering Intern

Seattle, WA

- Incoming for the Summer 2025 Software Engineering interns cohort

Systems Energy and Efficiency Lab at UC San Diego

Oct 2023 – Present

Machine Learning Research Assistant

San Diego, CA

SELF-SUPERVISED MACHINE LEARNING RESEARCH

- First author of a novel self-supervised machine learning framework in leveraging masked autoencoders for tabular network intrusion data, accepted to AAAI'25 AICS.
- Developed a masked autoencoder to extract latent space features for SOTA anomaly detectors on tabular data, introduced as a new framework for effectively applying image-based autoencoders to tabular datasets.

ADVERSARIAL MACHINE LEARNING RESEARCH

- Second author of an IEEE-CSR'24 publication on the potency of various adversarial machine learning algorithms.
- Co-author of an IEEE-SafeThings'25 paper detailing a defense selection method for adversarial attacks in network intrusion detection systems.

Scripps Institution of Oceanography

Sep 2023 – Jun 2024

Natural Language Processing Research Assistant

San Diego, CA

- Implemented statistical learning models (KNN, XGBoost, etc.) and fine-tuned large language models (BERT, GPT) on climate corpora, creating climate topic classifiers for regional analysis of prevalent climate issues.

ACTIVITIES

Stanford University Code in Place | Section Leader

- Hosted live weekly programming lessons for CS106A (Programming Methodologies), facilitating a learning environment for a cohort of 15 students on introductory data structures and programming principles.

Triton NeuroTech | Machine Learning Team

- Developed an LSTM with 90% accuracy for the Neural Prosthetics Group, effectively leveraging EMG technology to translate muscle signals into robotic movements for prosthetic limbs.

PROJECTS

Bayesian Optimizer | PyTorch, SciPy, NumPy

- Developing a Python library for mathematical optimization tasks, specifically derivative-free methods to maximize/minimize black-box functions such as machine learning hyperparameter tuning.
- Leverages Bayesian methods, stochastic approaches, and numerical techniques to estimate objective functions and sample datapoints efficiently

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, Java, Assembly (ARM), SQL, HTML/CSS, LaTeX

Machine Learning: PyTorch, TensorFlow/Keras, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, OpenCV, HuggingFace

Developer Frameworks: Flask, Django, SQLite, SQLAlchemy

Developer Tools: Git, Jupyter Notebook, Visual Studio Code, Vim, Kubernetes, Docker