

# Lawrence Liu

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## EDUCATION

### University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

*Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering*

Los Angeles, CA

*June 2024 (Expected)*

- GPA: 3.8/4.0
- Relevant coursework: Information Theory (Graduate Level), Decision Making in Stochastic Systems (Graduate Level), Numerical Computing, Feedback Control Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Signals and Systems

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Undergraduate Research Assistant

*Complex Networks Group at UCLA, under supervision of Prof. Vwani Roychowdhury*

February 2022 – Present

*Los Angeles, CA*

### Unsupervised Seizure EEG Biomarker Discovery

- Worked with graduate students and proposed a novel unsupervised approach using a Variational Autoencoder (VAE)
- Designed and implemented a novel self-supervised learning (VAE) in Pytorch based on CNN to successfully distill a seizure-related biomarker (high-frequency oscillations) from brain EEG signal
- Developed data visualization modules to interpret the performance of the network using GMM, K-means, T-SNE, and PCA
- The biomarker was used to predict the seizure surgery outcome and outperforms expert Neurologists
- This project is in the procedure of paper submission

### Open Source HFO Detector

- Created an open source package for automatic brain signal biomarker detection, in Python
- Optimize the pipeline so that it exceed the previous implementation by 10 times (1000%) though introducing multi-processing and vectorization
- Lead a group of team members and help them to debug and deploy the implementation
- In the procedure of publishing the completed modules to pip

## EXPERIENCE

### Internal Vice President

*Linux Users Group at UCLA*

June 2022 – Present

- Managed the Linux Users Group servers as a system administrator, including managing member websites and maintaining our general website
- Led installfests to help 20+ students install Linux on their computers
- Created a AI chatbot with Python and Hugging Face to interact with members on our Discord server through the Discord API
- In the process of installing Linux From Scratch on an old Mac with the aim of developing a Linux Distribution for the Linux Users Group at UCLA

## PROJECTS

### Kaggle Competition: Tabular Playground Series - Dec 2021

Decembe 2021 - January 2022

- Competition consisting of 1188 teams attempting to create a model that predicts categorical target based on a tabular dataset
- Applied an ensemble of Tabnet, SVM, and Random Forest Classifiers
- Finished in the top 6% of the competition, position 66th out of 1188

### Kaggle Competition: RSNA-MICCAI Brain Tumor Radiogenomic Classification

July 2021 - October 2021

- A competition to classify Brain Tumor MRI Scans based on presence of MGMT promoter methylation.
- Used an EfficentNet Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) trained on slices from the MNI scan

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, C/C++, R, Matlab, Octave, Julia, Mathematica

**Tools:** Git, Bash Scripting, Pytorch, Sklearn, Tensorflow, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Simulink

**Operating Systems:** Windows, Mac OS, Linux (Arch Linux, Debian, Linux From Scratch)

**Shop Skills:** Soldering, PCB design, 3D printing

**Other:** Microsoft Office, PID Tuning