

CAI 4104/6108 – Machine Learning Engineering:

Review + Q&A

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Final Exam

- When: May 2, 2024 7:30AM to 9:30AM.
 - Exam opens at 7am ET and closes at 10:00AM (don't wait until the last minute to start the exam!)
- Where: Online (Canvas + Honorlock)
- Note:
 - * The CAI4104 and CAI6108 exams will be (slightly) different
- Format:
 - Some Short answer questions (may include multiple choice)
 - Some multi-part problems
- Sample Final Exam (Practice Questions) Live on Canvas
 - Please use it to prepare but do **not** overfit to it
 - It will close at 6:30am the day of the final (so there is no confusion)

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Course Evaluation

- Help us improve the course!
- Complete your evaluation by April 26
- Access the evaluation form:
 - Canvas: click on GatorEvals (left navigation panel)
 - or: https://ufl.bluera.com/ufl/
- Optional and anonymous

Part 1: Fundamentals



- ML Engineering:
 - Workflow, Feature Engineering, Model Selection, Hyperparameter tuning, Performance Evaluation, Bias-Variance Tradeoff, Underfitting/Overfitting
- Supervised Learning:
 - Support Vector Machines (SVMs)
 - k-Nearest Neighbors
 - Linear models: Linear regression, Logistic regression
 - Trees & Ensembles: Decision Trees, Random Forests, Voting/Bagging/Stacking
- Unsupervised Learning
 - Clustering: K-Means
 - Dimensionality reduction: PCA, KernelPCA, Manifold Learning (MDS, LLE, t-SNE)
- Learning Algorithms:
 - Stochastic Gradient Descent & variants

Part 2: Neural Networks



- Components/Architectures of Neural Networks:
 - Neuron/Unit, Activation Functions, Hidden Layers, width vs depth
- Training Deep Neural Networks:
 - Backpropagation, Vanishing/exploding gradient problems
 - Initialization of weights, saturating activation functions, dying ReLUs, tuning hyperparameters
- Architectures
 - Simple, Fully-connected / Dense Nets
 - Convolutional Neural Nets: Convolutions, Pooling, Flattening, etc.
 - Recurrent Neural Nets: Recurrent Layers, Seq-to-vec, Vec-to-seq, Seq-to-seq, encoder-decoder networks, Bidirectional RNNs, Types of Cells (GRU, LSTMs), Attention, Transformers
- Unsupervised Learning & Generative Models
 - Auto-Encoders: Latent Space, Types of AutoEncoder, Variational AutoEncoder (VAE)
 - Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs): Discriminator & Generator, Adversarial Training/Learning

Part 3: ML & Society



- Adversarial ML:
 - Evasion attacks, Adversarial Examples, Weird Properties of Neural Nets
- Privacy Attacks:
 - Membership Inference Attacks, Memorization/Overfitting
- Interpretable/Explainable ML:
 - Need for human understandable explanations, Proxy models, LIME, Rule Extraction
 - Saliency Maps, Explanation Synthesis
- Fairness:
 - Sources of ML Unfairness, making models fair
 - Fairness Notions (e.g., anti-classification, statistical party, individual fairness)
- Synthetic Media
 - Deepfakes, LLMs and future architectures

Questions?





Deadlines

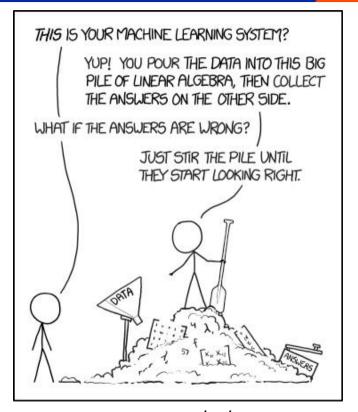


- Upcoming:
 - Project due 4/24
 - No late penalty if submitted by 4/26
 - Final Exam on 5/2
 - * 7:30AM to 9:30AM (Online Canvas + Honorlock)

The End



■ I hope you enjoyed this course



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