

# 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)

## ■ 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 parity, 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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