

Highly-motivated chemical engineer, adept in data science, python programming, machine learning and statistics.

EDUCATION

9/2016 – 6/2020

University of California, Santa Barbara
Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering
Cumulative GPA: **3.55**; Upper-division major GPA: **3.65**

9/2020 - 12/2020

General Assembly Data Science Immersive
12-week comprehensive 9 to 5 data science boot camp. Over 480 hours of instruction in python.
Data visualization, classical statistical models, machine learning, neural networks, cloud computing.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

6/2019 – 9/2020

Undergraduate Research, Segalman and Chabinyc Group, Chemical Engineering and Materials Research, The University of California, Santa Barbara

- Project: Design, build, and calibrate a doping chamber to dope thin film polymers via the vapor phase, integrate a quartz crystal microbalance, and accurately quantify the mass transfer
- Used UV-Vis spectroscopy, X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy and stylus profilometry
- Final report of this project can be viewed at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/y3q8zgib>

ENGINEERING PROJECTS

1/2020 – 6/2020

UCSB Chemical Engineering Senior Design Project

- Conceptual design of chemical plant. Included reactor modeling, designing multicomponent distillation columns, building plant in Aspen HYSYS, and techno-economic assessment

1/2020 – 3/2020

Advanced Process Control Final Project

- Setup Model Predictive Control (MPC) and paired PID control on real multiple input and multiple output (MIMO) system
- Ran transfer function identification test on Arduino to estimate transfer functions of real system

1/2020 – 3/2020

Mechatronics Projects

- Constructed a music spectrum analyzer that displayed the frequency and amplitude of an audio signal on an LED board in real time
- Built amplified thermocouple digital measurement system using an Arduino microcontroller

2/2018 – 3/2018

ChE 110A Thermodynamics Design Project

- Developed and coded algorithm in MATLAB to run millions of efficiency calculations of a mobile steam power generator to determine the maximum efficiency
- Used X Steam to integrate steam-table data into MATLAB

DATA SCIENCE PROJECTS

9/2020 – 12/2020

Reinforcement Learning (Capstone Project) - https://github.com/ajclemens/reinforcement_learning

- Used openAI gym to train neural networks to solve the cartpole control problem in simulation
- Implemented two solutions: A Deep Q-Network (DQN) algorithm using keras, and a Neuroevolution of Augmenting Topologies (NEAT) genetic algorithm using neat-python

9/2020 – 12/2020

Self-Driving Car AI

- Used Udacity's driving simulator to train a convolutional neural network (CNN) to map car camera views to steering angles
- Implemented a custom loss function to tune the AI's driving behavior to be more human-like
- Trained models in the cloud using Google's cloud compute engine

9/2020 – 12/2020

Fake News Classifier

- Created a fake news classification model that is able to predict if a reddit post was posted in r/politics or r/theonion with 90% accuracy
- Used pipelines and grid search to find optimal hyperparameters

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Python (Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, Matplotlib, Seaborn, TensorFlow, Keras), SQL, MATLAB, Cloud Computing (AWS, Google Cloud), Data Visualization, Databricks (PySpark), Git, Mathematica, Java, Solidworks, Aspen HYSYS, Arduino prototyping (circuits/computer interfacing)