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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I specialize in the development and application of machine learning methods for computer vision, large language models, time series analysis, and generative modeling. I maintain a strong background in functional and object-oriented programming with experience writing production quality software.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosopy, Physics 2024
Purdue University

Master of Science, Physics 2021
University of Chicago

Bachelor of Science, Physics, Magna Cum Laude 2019
Indiana University
Minor: Mathematics

Bachelor of Science, Informatics (Math Focus), Magna Cum Laude 2019
Indiana University

EXPERIENCE

Graduate Researcher 2022-Present
Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN

- Designed diffusion models/score-based generative models and general computer vision techniques (object detection, segmentation, etc.) in PyTorch for modeling image datasets in super-resolution fluorescence microscopy
- Developed general probabilistic models for high-dimensional imaging datasets and associated Bayesian methods for statistical inference tasks
- Developed novel hardware systems for super-resolution imaging of human cells

Graduate Researcher 2020-2022
University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

- Investigated fundamental learning mechanisms in recurrent neural networks (RNNs) using dynamical models, mean-field theory, and time-series analysis.
- Designed and ran Monte Carlo simulations of spiking neural networks

Research Assistant 2019-2020
Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN

- Developed a scientific package in Python known as "cellquantifier" for high-throughput object detection and tracking
- Managed the package lifecycle and user training throughout the laboratory

Information Systems Intern 2016
Liberty Mutual Insurance

- Wrote Python scripts to automate attestation testing of web facing servers
- Assisted in configuration of web application firewalls (WAFs)

AWARDS

NIH Graduate Training Fellowship 2020
University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Travel Award and Lightning Talk Invitation 2019
Physical Sciences in Oncology - Minneapolis, MN

Hudson and Holland Scholarship for Diversity and Inclusion 2013-2017
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Founders Scholar 2013-2017
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Cigital Scholarship 2016-2017
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

PUBLICATIONS

Clayton Seitz and Jing Liu. *Uncertainty-aware localization microscopy by variational diffusion.* In Review. 2024

Clayton Seitz and Jing Liu. *Quantum enhanced localization microscopy with a single photon avalanche diode array.* In Review. 2024

Clayton Seitz†, Donghong Fu†, Mengyuan Liu, Hailan Ma, and Jing Liu. *BRD4 phosphorylation regulates the structure of chromatin nanodomains.* https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.09.03.611057. 2024

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Mengdi Zhang, **Clayton Seitz**, Garrick Chang, Fadil Iqbal, Hua Lin, and Jing Liu *A guide for single-particle chromatin tracking in live cell nuclei.* Cell Biology International 15 January 2022; 46 (5): 683-700

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Clayton Seitz, Hailan Ma, and Jing Liu. *Cytokine-induced transcriptional memory is evident in the kinetics of transcriptional bursts.* Biophysical Society Annual Conference 2022

Clayton Seitz, Hua Lin, Keith Bonin, Pierre-Alexandre Vidi, and Jing Liu. *Quantifying the spatiotemporal dynamics of dUTP labeled chromatin during the DNA damage response.* Biophysical Society Annual Conference 2020

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Programming Languages & Software: Linux, Bash, Python, R, PyTorch, C/C++, SQL, LaTeX, Git, Docker, SLURM, Azure, AWS