## Eric Sager Luxenberg

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am broadly interested in convex optimization and its applications to control, machine learning and finance, and seek to develop new algorithms and open source tools for solving problems in these areas.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### **Stanford University**

Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
Advisor: Stephen Boyd
Sept 2020 - Present

GPA: 4.0

M.S., Electrical Engineering, Sept 2019 - Mar 2020

GPA: 3.9

B.S., Mathematics, Sept 2015 - June 2019

GPA: 3.9

# RELEVANT COURSEWORK (\* GRADUATE)

**Computer Science:** Programming Abstractions, Systems, Machine Learning\*, Algorithms, Convolutional Neural Nets\*, Randomized Algorithms\*, Reinforcement Learning\*, Discrete Math and Algorithms\*

**Mathematics:** Honors Multivariable Mathematics, Complex Analysis, Scientific Computing, Stochastic Methods\*, Groups and Rings, Real Analysis\*, Theory of Probability\*, Dynamic Programming and Stochastic Control\*, Theory of Statistics\*, Optimization Theory\*, Machine Learning Theory\*

**Electrical Engineering:** Signal Processing and Linear Systems, Information Theory\*, Fourier Transform\*, Linear Dynamical Systems\*, Convex Optimization\*, Inference Estimation and Information Processing\*, Large Scale Matrix Computation\*

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- **E Luxenberg**, D Malik, Y Li, A Singh, S Boyd. *Specifying and Solving Robust Empirical Risk Minimization Problems Using CVXPY*. arXiv preprint.
- P Schiele\*, E Luxenberg\*, and S Boyd. Disciplined Saddle Programming. arXiv preprint.
- **E Luxenberg**\*, P Schiele\*, S Boyd. *Robust Bond Portfolio Construction via Convex-Concave Saddle Point Optimization*. arXiv preprint.
- **E Luxenberg**, S Boyd, M van Beek, W Cao, M Kochenderfer. *Strategic Asset Allocation with Illiquid Alternatives*. Proceedings of the Third ACM International Conference on AI in Finance, 249-256.
- **E Luxenberg\***, P Schiele\*, S Boyd. *Portfolio Optimization with Cumulative Prospect Theory Utility via Convex Optimization*. arXiv preprint.
- **E Luxenberg**, S Boyd. *Portfolio Construction with Gaussian Mixture Returns and Exponential Utility via Convex Optimization*. arXiv preprint. Under review.
- RA Fernandes, C Li, G Wang, X Yang, CS Savvides, CR Glassman, ... RA Fernandes, C Li, G Wang, X Yang, CS Savvides, CR Glassman, S Dong, **E Luxenberg**, LV Sibener, ME Birnbaum, C Benoist, D Mathis, KC Garcia. *Discovery of surrogate agonists for visceral fat Treg cells that modulate metabolic indices in vivo*. Elife 9.
- JW Khor, N Jean, **E Luxenberg**, S Ermon, SKY Tang. *Using machine learning to discover shape descriptors for predicting emulsion stability in a microfluidic channel*. Soft matter 15 (6), 1361-1372.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Incoming QR Intern at Citadel:**

June 2023 - August 2023

BlackRock AI Labs Student Research Intern:

June 2021 - Dec 2022

Convex optimization based strategic asset allocation with illiquid alternatives

**Machine Learning Consultant (3T Biosciences):** 

Mar 2020 - Sept 2020

Designed and implemented a pipeline for predicting T-cell activity

TEACHING EXPERIENCE Instructor, Stanford EE364a (Convex Optimization)

Summer 2021-22

• Delivered 20 1.5 hour lectures, created exams and problem sets, managed course assistants

Head Course Assistant, Stanford EE364a (Convex Optimization)

Winter 2021-22

• Managed a team of 5 course assistants for a class of 230+ students

Course Assistant, Stanford EE364a (Convex Optimization)
Course Assistant, Stanford EE263 (Linear Dynamical Systems)

Winter 2019-20 Fall 2019-20

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python, Julia, C, C++

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE Paper reviewing:

• 4th Annual Learning for Dynamics & Control Conference

• IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control