# Joshua Vendrow

#### **EDUCATION**

## MIT - PhD Candidate in EECS

Advised by Aleksander Madry | Expected May 2027

## **UCLA** - B.S. Computer Science and Applied Mathematics

3.95 GPA | Minor in Philosophy | Expected June 2022

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Apple** — *ML Engineering Intern*

January 2022 - Present | Cupertino, CA

- Researched and developed deep learning models for core vision technologies within the SIML (Systems Intelligence Machine Learning) computer vision team.

## **Apple** — Data Science Intern

June 2021 - September 2021 | Cupertino, CA

- Developed deep learning and computer vision models within Security team.
- Set up data pipeline, training, and evaluation using CoreFlow and Turi.
- Deployed CoreML model into IOS software to run demo on the newest iPhone.

# **UCLA Applied Math** — Research Assistant

AUGUST 2019 - PRESENT | Los Angeles, CA

- Designed and implemented ML models, created and ran experiments, and wrote research papers, leading to publications in top conferences (IEEE ICASSP, ACSSC)
- Collaborated with professors, postdocs, and PhDs to complete projects in computer vision, network science, deep learning, and optimization.

#### **Harvey Mudd, Department of Math** — Research Intern

AUGUST 2021 - PRESENT | Los Angeles, CA

- Led and organized multiple data science projects under Harvey Mudd faculty.
- Trained other students in research fundamentals, Pytorch, Linux.

## **OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE PROJECTS**

# Fast Nonnegative Least Squares [PvPi] [Github]

- Implemented the FNNLS algorithm, Set up CI/CD workflow using Travis CI.
- Wrote a program to demonstrate improvements over the popular SciPy package in execution time for random matrices.

## Network Dictionary Learning [PyPi] [Github] [arXiv]

- Develop a method for learning structures from large-scale graph data.
- Outperformed state of the art graph neural network models in link prediction.

#### **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS** (full list at joshvendrow.com)

[1] E. Vendrow, J. Vendrow, "Realistic Face Reconstruction from Deep Embeddings." NeurIPS PriML, 2021. [Github]

[2] J. Vendrow, J. Haddock, E. Rebrova, D. Needell. "On a Guided Nonnegative Matrix Factorization." IEEE ICASSP, 2021. [IEEE] [arXiv] [Github]

[3] J. Vendrow, J. Haddock, D. Needell. "Neural Nonnegative CP Decomposition for Hierarchical Tensor Analysis." Asilomar Conf. on Sig. Sys. and Comp, 2021.

#### **CONTACT**



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#### **SKILLS**

Python, Java, C/C++ Javascript, CSS, HTML

Git, Unix/Linux, Turi Create

TensorFlow, PyTorch, scikit-learn, NumPy, SciPy, Cirq, Qiskit

Data Visualization, Multithreading, CI/CD

#### SELECTED COURSEWORK

#### Graduate

Quantum Programming Reinforcement Learning Neural Nets / Deep Learning ML for Bioinformatics **Convex Optimization** Linear Programming

Undergraduate - CS **Operating Systems Applied Numerical Computing** Machine Learning Algorithms and Complexity Formal Languages / Automata

Undergraduate - Math Stochastic Processes **Probability Theory** Discrete Math Real Analysis Linear Algebra

## **CLASS PROJECTS**

CS 239: Implementing Quantum Algorithms and Running on Google and IBM Quantum Computers [Report]

EE 239AS: Applying Proximal Policy Optimization to OpenAI Environments [Report] [Github]