Hi. I’m Francis Mendoza. I am a newly-admitted 4+1 student within the Robotics and Autonomous Systems program (Artificial Intelligence Concentration. My hometown is Manila, Philippines.

I enrolled in this class because, having taken CSE494- Intro To Machine Learning last fall under Professor Maneparambil, I became extremely interested in Machine Learning’s applications within the context of my existing research and studies on using Blockchains/Distribute d Ledger Technology within IOT systems. I am especially interested in the applications of Federated Learning, where computation is relegated to edge networks.

I wanted to advance my studies even further and gain an intimate understanding of some concepts that I was not able to learn more about last time and ensure solid understanding of the ones I already have

I am very interested in the implications of holistically leveraging Blockchains & IOT for comprehensive enterprise applications