

# Adam Li

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## EDUCATION:

### JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

*Doctor of Philosophy: Biomedical Engineering*

**Graduation: TBD**

*GPA: 3.8/4.0*

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

*Bachelor of Science: Bioengineering*

*Bachelor of Science: Mathematics-Applied Science*

**March 2015**

*Major GPA: 3.75/4.0*

*Major GPA: 3.74/4.0*

### YALE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

*Global Pre-MBA Leadership Program: Selective Leadership Program*

*Placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Audubon Business Concept Pitch Plan, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Audience Choice Award*

**2014**

## PUBLICATIONS:

1. **A. Li**, et al., S.V. Sarma, J. Gonzalez-Martinez. "Using Network Analysis to Localize the Epileptogenic Zone from Invasive EEG Recordings in Intractable Focal Epilepsy." *Network Neuroscience* (2018).
2. **Li A.**, Woodman M., Sarma S., Jirsa V. "Integrating Large Brain Networks and Network Analysis To Understand The Epileptogenic Zone." *Submitted*. Organization for Computational Neurosciences CNS 2018.
3. **Li A.**, Sarma S., Jirsa V. "Using Whole-Brain Computational Modeling to Transfer Knowledge of Seizure Dynamics to Machine Learning Algorithms". *Submitted*. *International Conference in Machine Learning* (2018).
4. **Li A**, Inati S, Zaghloul K, Sarma S. "Fragility in Epileptic Networks: The Epileptogenic Zone". *The American Control Conference* (2017).
5. **Li A**, Gunnarsdottir K, Inati S, Zaghloul K, Gale J, Bulacio J, Martinez-Gonzalez J, Sarma S. "Linear Time-Varying Model Characterizes Invasive EEG Signals Generated from Complex Epileptic Networks." *Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference* (2017).
6. Gunnarsdottir K, **Li A**, Bulacio J, Martinez-Gonzalez J, Sarma S. "Estimating Unmeasured Invasive EEG Signals Using a Reduced Order Observer." *Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference* (2017).

## PATENTS:

1. GEAR (Game Enhancing Augmented Reality) - A lower limb alternative control interface for computers. Inventors: Adam Li, Gyorgy Levay, Nate Tran. 5/23/16.
2. Identifying the Epileptogenic Zone using Network Fragility Theory. Inventors: Sridevi Sarma, Adam Li, Jorge Gonzalez. 9/22/16.

## HONORS AND AWARDS:

<b>Chateaubriand STEM Fellowship</b> – international research fellowship from French Embassy	2017
<b>Whitaker Fellowship</b> – prestigious international research fellowship to go to Marseille, France	2017
<b>NSF-GRFP</b> – Awarded out of more than 13,000 applicants	2017
<b>NSF-GFRP (Honorable Mention)</b> – Honorable mention out of 17,000 applicants	2016
<b>Intel Cornell Cup 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – Featured on Popular Science, Youtube, JHU News and Intel	2016
<b>HopHacks Biomedical Data 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – Won 1 <sup>st</sup> place at Johns Hopkins hackathon for use of medical data	2016
<b>MedHacks 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – Won 1 <sup>st</sup> place in the first medical hackathon at Johns Hopkins	2015
<b>NIH NETI</b> – (nthakor@bme.jhu.edu) NeuroEngineering grant for 11 students that apply to program	2015
<b>Frontiers of Innovation Scholars</b> – (fisp@ucsd.edu) Interdisciplinary fellowship out of 350 applicants	2015

<b>California Space Grant / IDEA Center Scholarship</b> – Recipient of competitive scholarship	2014
<b>NCIIA E-Team Program</b> – National selective program (~15% acceptance rate) for funding	2014
<b>UCSD Sixth College Leadership Award</b> – Finalist For Outstanding Leadership	2014
<b>ASAIO</b> – Student Design Competition Top 27 In Nation	2014
<b>Tau Beta Pi</b> – Engineering honor society	2014
<b>Gordon Fellow</b> – Engineering leadership excellence award	2014
<b>Health and Life Sciences Grant</b> – Interdisciplinary grant for pilot studies in translational medicine	2013
<b>Von Liebig NSF I-Corps Fellow</b> – Competitive startup program for NSF seed funding	2013
<b>Chapter of the Year Award</b> – National award from ISPE for best student chapter in the country	2012, 2013
<b>National EWH Design 2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> – Placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> for global healthcare engineering design	2013
<b>Gordon Leadership Scholar</b> – Competitive leadership program	2013
<b>Amgen Scholar UCSD</b> – Competitive summer research program (awarded but had to decline)	2013
<b>California Institute for Telecommunications and IT</b> – Competitive Summer Research Grant	2012

## PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES:

1. *“Linear Time-Varying Model Characterizes Invasive EEG Signals Generated from Complex Epileptic Networks”*, **Li A**, Gunnarsdottir K, Inati S, Zaghloul K, Gale J, Bulacio J, Martinez-Gonzalez J, Sarma S, EMBC 17, Jeju, South Korea, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
2. *“Fragility in Epileptic Networks: The Epileptogenic Zone”*, **Li A**, Inati S, Zaghloul K, Sarma S, ACC 17, Seattle WA, USA, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
3. *“Analysis of Gait Applied to Parkinson’s Disease”*, **A. Li**, N. Gandhi, I. Litvan and T. Coleman, Thiel Summit Conference for Entrepreneurship, Las Vegas NV, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
4. *“GreenHaven 501© Non-Profit Business Pitch”*, **A. Li**, A. Ruby, N. Rivat, R. Saha, A Foster and A. Terra, Yale School of Management Audubon Pitch, New Haven NH, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
5. *“The Gait Analysis of Parkinson’s Disease”*, **A. Li**, N. Gandhi, L. Li, J. Chu, C. Yang, I. Litvan and T. Coleman, UCSD Bioengineering Day Poster Conference, San Diego CA, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
6. *“BioMetrics Analytics”*, **A. Li**, N. Gandhi, L. Li, J. Chu, C. Yang, Von Liebig NSF I-Corps Phase 1 Pitch, La Jolla CA, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014
7. *“Feasibility of 3D Deformation and Strain Analyses by Micro-Computed Tomography”*, **A. Li**, E. Cory, J. Caffrey, V. Wong, Q. Nguyen and R. Sah, ISPE Poster Competition, La Jolla CA, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
8. *“Feasibility of 3D Deformation and Strain Analyses by Micro-Computed Tomography”*, **A. Li**, E. Cory, J. Caffrey, V. Wong, Q. Nguyen and R. Sah, Calit2 Summer Scholars Presentation, La Jolla CA, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

<b>THEORETICAL NEUROSCIENCES GROUP @ AIX-MARSEILLE UNIVERSITY</b>	Sept 2017 – Sept 2018
Visiting Scientist under Dr. Viktor Jirsa	Marseille, France
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use Freesurfer, MATLAB, Python and C++ to analyze and preprocess &gt; 5TB of multi-modality brain imaging data for localizing electrode contacts, analyzing region activity and visualizing data-embedded brains</li> <li>• Engineer an unsupervised deep learning pipeline using nonlinear generative modeling, linear stability analysis and artificial neural networks (FNN, CNN, RNNs) to perform seizure detection and localization</li> <li>• Develop nonlinear dynamical stochastic mass models to optimize algorithm parameters that have shown significant results (&gt;95% accuracy) in identifying the seizure onset zone using iEEG signals</li> </ul>	
<b>NEUROMEDICAL CONTROL SYSTEMS LABORATORY</b>	Aug 2015 – Present
	Adam Li,2

- Perform precise seizure localization and automatic online seizure detection from intracranial EEG recordings that involves TB's of multivariate time series, categorical, binary, & description data
- Utilize machine learning algorithms, statistical modeling, network theory, high performance computing and spectral analysis to analyze high-dimensional brain data (Python, MATLAB on Linux Systems)
- Aggregate and organize electrophysiological data of epileptic patients from 4 different hospital centers by coordinating with neurosurgeons, epileptologists, and fellows in setting up a HIPPA-compliant sFTP server
- Implement Stan/PyMC3 Bayesian hierarchical inference model for seizure localization from heatmap data

## **NEURAL INTERACTION LABORATORY**

Sept 2013 – Sept 2015

*Senior Design Engineer and Undergraduate Researcher under Dr. Coleman and Dr. Litvan*

La Jolla, CA

- Researched and developed novel ways to evaluate Parkinson's disease using gait and 3D spatiotemporal data from the Microsoft Kinect in collaboration with Computer Vision Lab and School of Medicine.
- Started a project from scratch to develop a Parkinson's disease tracking software product using C++ and Matlab to create a data acquisition platform and signal analysis algorithms
- Mentored a senior Bioengineering design group within the design course sequence to engineer a cost-effective mobile eye tracking system in collaboration with a movement disorders specialist
- Carried out validation and clinical experiments on 21 PD and 21 control subjects, while coordinating scheduling with clinicians and patients
- Secured startup company funding from the National Science Foundation and the VentureWell E-Team Program and also applied to present at the Clinton Global Initiative University
- Wrote successful Health and Life Sciences grant and IRB to carry out pilot clinical studies in collaboration with 3 professors; awarded the Gordon Fellowship Award for outstanding engineering leadership

## **ENGINEERING WORLD HEALTH**

Sept 2012 – Sept 2014

*Project Team Leader for PCR under Dr. David M Smith*

La Jolla, CA

- Collaborated with UCSD School of Medicine and a clinic in Mozambique to develop a rapid, cost-effective medical device for diagnosing HIV, which culminated in 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the EWH National Design Competition
- Led team of 10 in product development, while managing a budget of over \$10,000. Developed firmware on microcontroller using C++ and C (utilized PID algorithm, SolidWorks and circuit design)
- Mentored and helped carry out "build days" with K-12 students to get them excited about science

## **QUALCOMM INSTITUTE**

Jun 2012 – Sept 2012

*Summer Research Scholar under Calit2*

La Jolla, CA

- Awarded \$3000 to be a part of a 30 person cohort in order to conduct ~40+ hrs/week of independent research for the purpose of improving quality of life using emerging technologies and analytics
- Conducted initial feasibility experiments using a LabView programmed mechanical actuator to compress agarose hydrogels with embedded radiopaque particles, while imaging with 3D microCT
- Developed a computational method with 90% accuracy to measure strain and strain variance using quantitative statistical analysis

## **CARTILAGE TISSUE ENGINEERING LABORATORY**

Sept 2011 – Jun 2013

*Undergraduate Researcher under Dr. Robert L Sah*

La Jolla, CA

- Created standard operating procedures for inventory processing, laboratory operations, tissue preparation, hydrogel polymerization, data collection methods and data analysis of CT images
- Scanned and analyzed bone and tissue images using microCT, Excel, Matlab and CT image analysis software and then documented experimental results through scientific reports
- Contributed to a large human cartilage research project by scanning ~20 samples over the course of an entire weekend for ~72 hrs straight; in collaboration with orthopedic surgeons and post-docs of lab

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE:

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### BIOMETRICS ANALYTICS

Sept 2013 – Sept 2015

*Chief Executive Officer & Co-Founder*

San Diego, CA

- Researched & developed novel ways to evaluate Parkinson's Disease using biometric sensors and robust data analysis; led team in data acquisition of human data, data analysis and statistical analysis using MATLAB and Python
- Developed Parkinson's disease tracking software using Microsoft Kinect with C++, C#, MATLAB and Python to create data acquisition and machine learning algorithms and movement analytics
- Raised over \$20,000 and filed an IRB for carrying out pilot clinical human study; received the Gordon Fellowship Award for outstanding engineering leadership (awarded to 3 students/year at UCSD)
- Accepted into the Von Liebig National Science Foundation I-Corps Program as well as the NCIIA Entrepreneurship Program (~15% acceptance rate)

### UCSD COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sept 2014 – Mar 2015

*Computer Science Tutor under Gary Gillespie*

San Diego, CA

- Sole bioengineer in cohort, assisted 100+ students in learning basic data structures in Java, C and C++
- Graded exams and assisted professor in communicating fundamental concepts in computer science

### WEST HEALTH INSTITUTE 501©

Jun 2014 – Jun 2015

*Data Processing Intern under Asim Mittal*

San Diego, CA

- Researched and recommended technological improvements to data collection that could be incorporated into the analytics group at the institute for the treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Wrote pymongo queries running on an event scheduler (python, MongoDB) that provide metrics and analytics for the clinical team to analyze behavior during gameplay on the Microsoft Kinect
- Developed clinical web forms using HTML, CSS, Highcharts.JS, JavaScript (with JQuery), which are then linked to a DB with Node.js; tested on an AWS instance using git and bitbucket VCS
- Built an Android application that created a custom launch screen for the clinical team with Java and XML

### GENENTECH INC. [schimizzi.domenic@gene.com](mailto:schimizzi.domenic@gene.com)

Jul 2013 – Jun 2014

*Process Engineering Intern and College Ambassador under Domenic Schmizz*

San Francisco, CA

- Collaborated with Genentech College Programs to improve online engagement by ~60%, while coordinating events with directors and human resources that drew in over 200 attendees
- Implemented a new batch control process using Rockwell Automation and PLCs to automate chromatography purification process (used Structured Text, Sequential Flow Charting, SQL and Python)

## LEADERSHIP AND OTHER EXPERIENCE:

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### AAMPLIFY INC.

Jan 2017 – Present

Director of Leadership and Founding Member – Planned and implement a summer leadership and advocacy program for AAPI youth. Also involved in raising over \$5000 as a non profit organization.

**HOPKINS ENGINEERING & MEDICINE EXCHANGE @ JHU**

Sept 2016 - Present

*Co-Founder/President – Plan events for collaborations between engineering, medicine and public health***JOHNS HOPKINS BME COUNCIL @ JHU**

Sept 2016 – Sept 2017

*Social Chair – Coordinate and plan events for increasing collaboration within department***GRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE ORGANIZATION @ JHU**

Sept 2015 – Sept 2016

*BME Department Representative***ALPHA KAPPA PSI @ UCSD**

Apr 2012 – Jun 2014

*Class President and Director of Consulting***INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR PHARMACEUTICAL ENGINEERING @ UCSD**

Sept 2011 – June 2014

*Vice President External***COMPETITIONS:**

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**BOSCH CONNECTED WORLD (Cloudera Data Challenge)**

Feb 2018

- Improved a data pipeline to predict truck ETAs by ~25% accuracy using Impala database with Python

**INTEL CORNELL CUP (1<sup>st</sup> place Nationwide)**

Apr 2016

- Created an augmented reality device using Intel hardware and software to help disabled individuals.

**HOPHACKS (1<sup>st</sup> place in Biomedical Data Challenge)**

Feb 2016

- Created web app for web scraping, data visualization and search functionality of clinical trials in the USA

**MEDHACKS @ JHU 2015 (1<sup>st</sup> place)**

Oct 2015

- Developed apparatus using ultrasound transducers, raspberry PI and web server to detect blood clots

**MICROMOUSE @ UCSD 2015**

May 2015

- Developed micromouse with Teensy microcontroller, custom PCB, flood-fill alg, PID alg using C++/C