

Currently based in Cambridge, MA Contact: jmflynn@mit.edu

Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

• B.S. in *Physics* and B.S. in *Electrical Engineering & Computer Science*

Sep 2019 - Jun 2023

M.Eng in Electrical Engineering & Computer Science (focus: AI, Signal Processing)

(GPA 5.0/5) Sep 2023 -Aug 2024

--- Thesis: Active Cancellation + Physics-Inspired DL for EMI Mitigation in Portable MRI

Coursework: probability, statistics, discrete, linalg, inference, algorithms, cryptography, security, embedded, circuits, control, robotics, microcontrollers, quantum, ML, DL, CV, AI bias, TinyML

Experience

Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging

Cambridge, MA

Researcher/Engineer in Portable, Low-Field MRI Devices

Nov 2023 - Aug 2024

Developed ML models to reconstruct brain images from noisy data and designed active cancellation methods to enhance dynamic range

Built and maintained a portable scanner, including rack setup, machining parts, RF coil production & tuning, RF power management, pulse sequences

Center for Constructive Communication, MIT Media Lab

Cambridge, MA

Researcher/Developer in Decentralized Social Networks

Aug 2023 - Feb 2024

· Built NLP app as a research tool for community-based audio snippet sharing (React-Native, Postgres, AWS)

PhotonicsAI Lab, Yerevan State University

Yerevan, Armenia

Researcher in Chaos, Optics, and ML

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

Improved accuracy of optical computer for scalable, parallel, energy-efficient reservoir computing on chaotic dynamical systems

Worked on chaos simulation/analysis + ML network/data design, led 'research dev-ops' setup, and handled system testing

RespiQ - Breath-Tech Startup

Leiden, Netherlands

Algorithmic/Software Engineering Intern for R&D

Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

• Developed a data processing pipeline and associated software from scratch (built entire codebase)

• Created statistical metrics for prototype progress and handled various technical roles in a small team

Resilient Infrastructure Networks Lab, MIT Civil Engineering

Remote

Researcher in Semiparametric Transportation Modelling

Jun 2020 - Oct 2020

Created various ML models to predict accident behavior, quantified inefficiency due to imperfect information (counterfactuals)

Explored how time/day, amount of information, and time lag affect the transportation mode choice near the Bay Bridge

Crusoe Energy Systems

Brooklyn, New York

Data Science Intern

Jan 2020 – Feb 2020

· Wrote data queries for monitoring (SQL), worked on front end display, produced emissions reports

Skills and Projects

Technical Skills:

Proficient (Software): Python, C/C++, JS, Bash, Pytorch, Data (SQL/graphQL/pandas), Web/App (React/Flutter/Django), Matlab

- Familiar (Software): Assembly, Java, Go, AWS, Flask, Docker, JWT/WebAuthn, KVM, Cluster Computing
- Other (Misc): Latex, Oscilloscope, Circuits, Music Processing, Solidworks, LTspice, illustrator, 3d-printing, optics, makerspace

Software Projects:

- Fantasy Premier League AI (Python, Pandas) Full-stack, automated bot for complex game with planning (~10k lines)
- MemoryCenter (Flutter, Django, Firebase, Heroku) Flashcard app for effective long-term memory retention and management. Deployed on ios and web.

Engineering/Math Projects:

- Ulaanbaatar Heating Initiative (MIT/Mongolia-Universities Collaboration) Fall course + Fieldwork in Mongolia in January 2023. Applied anthropological (ethnographic research, stakeholder involvement) and engineering (sensors, molten salt) tools to complex heating situation.
- Supergroups White Paper (link) Developed superior tournament format for irregular # of competitors, suggested a promising new field for applied combinatorics

Notable Coursework Projects:

- Underactuated Robotics: Project chosen for class website hall of fame (Trajectory Optimization for Continuous Contact Brachiation on Gapped Bars)
- Tiny ML & Efficient DL: Placed 2nd/32 in sponsored class competition (Persistent Personal Assistant via Streaming-LLM + T5-Summarizer + Prompt Eng.)
- Responsible AI in Human Contexts: Well-received public kaggle notebook (Debiased Foundation Models and their Downstream Trajectories)

Additional Information

Teacher / Mentor

- Team Lead, MIT Global Teaching Labs Bahrain ran two 2 week robotics camps for high schoolers in Manama, Bahrain during January 2024
 - Responsibilities included teaching, coding, 3d printing, designing curriculum, organizing talks, distributing work, documenting via a blog, coordinating with administration
- Fraternity Scholarship Chair Served as Fraternity (PSK) Scholarship Chair Designed systems for collaboration, helped orient Freshmen
- Teacher at MIT Splash 2019 Co-Taught class on "Puzzles & History of Mathematics" of our own design to 30+ students in Splash 2019
- Tutor / Coach Tutored & coached Math/Physics to a variety of learners ages 6-18 for 10+ years

MIT Varsity Soccer Player

• 2-Time All-NEWMAC (All-Conference) Team, in 2021 team was ranked 6th in the country, Attacking Midfielder

MIT Laptop Ensemble (Improvisational Electronic Music)

- Live Coding: Interdisciplinary Conference on Musical Media @Harvard, 5/2023; Living Machines event at ZuZu bar in Cambridge 10/2022, Tiny Concert Hall Opener May '24
- Modular Synths: Performed at MIT 2023 Spring "Met Gala"; Performed in several MIT concerts

Self-Taught Chess Player

Repeat World Open Section <u>Champion</u> (2018: 1st/82, 2019: 1st/165) <u>Tactics</u>: lichess: 2700+, chess.com: 3300+ <u>USCF</u>: Class A