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Education

Brown University, Providence, RI – Applied Math–Computer Science Sc.B.

Graduating May 2026

- Relevant Coursework: Deep Learning, Statistical Learning Theory, Computational Probability and Statistics, Algorithms

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, Alexandria, VA

August 2018 - June 2022

- GPA: 4.53/4.0, SAT: 1590/1600

Skills

Natural languages - English (native), Classical Latin (fluent), Spanish (reading), Russian, Japanese (beginner)

Programming languages - Python (most), C/C++, MATLAB, R, OCaml, Java, HTML/CSS, Go, Lean, JavaScript, Julia (least)

AI and web technologies - AWS (EC2/S3), PostgreSQL, Flask, Bootstrap, React.JS, Node.JS, Langchain + OpenAI APIs, pytorch, tensorflow

Work Experience

Brown University Data Science Institute, Head Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

September 2023 - Present

- For Computational Probability and Statistics, a class in Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods, importance sampling, Gibbs sampling, and generative modeling, organized office hours, grading, administration of a >150-person class

Docunexus (LLM startup), Technical Intern

June 2023 - August 2023

- Automated workflows to create more cohesive LLM-based applications, using langchain

VocaliD (artificial voice startup), Speech Processing Intern

June 2021 - August 2021

- Helped improve speech synthesis model by making it more “conversational” using Python for language modeling and web scraping. Researched phonetic processes that occur in rapid speech

Bauhealth (health tech startup), Natural Language Processing Intern

June 2021 - August 2021

- Devised a named-entity recognition model using spaCy for ICU notes (a system that finds and classifies the contexts of general search terms from a database of physicians’ notes). Research project with national COVID-19 data set.

Research Projects

Autodifferentiation versus Finite Difference Approximations for Machine Learning

February 2025 - August 2025

- Experimented using physics-informed neural networks (PINNs), finite difference schemes, and various hybrid methods to approximate solutions to partial differential equations, and analyzed convergence properties of each method
- Presented a poster at the Brown Applied Math Directed Reading Program Poster Session

Simulation Environment for a Brain-Computer Interface

June 2024 - Present

- Research assistant in the BrainGate collaboration, the oldest and largest human brain-computer interface clinical trial
- Improved methods using time series neural data for control of a computer cursor by a patient with tetraplegia (paralysis) via an intracortical brain-computer interface. Used Kalman filter variants and variational autoencoders
- Constructed a simulation cursor-control system using eyetracking from a laptop webcam with OpenCV
- Presented a poster at the Brown Undergraduate Teaching and Research Award Symposium

“ChatGPT Did Not Write This Title”: Detecting LLM Outputs

April 2023 - May 2023

- Project detecting whether academic text was authored by a human or by an LLM
- Achieved 70%+ accuracy with fine-tuned HuggingFace transformers (DistilBert) in TensorFlow

“Terry, Go To Jupiter”: Speech Recognition Control of a Planetarium

September 2021 - May 2022

- Developed speech recognition system for SkySkan planetaria using Kaldi
- Poster presentation and conference-wide demo at the 2022 Middle Atlantic Planetarium Society Conference

Leadership and Volunteering

AI and Robotics Ethics Society @ Brown, Co-President

September 2025 - Present

- Managed a 300-person club with 30+ regular attendees, organizing panels, meetings, socials, and other events
- In collaboration with faculty at the University of Bonn, led a 9-person research group in a mechanistic interpretability project about multilingual LLMs

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Brown University Chapter, Treasurer

September 2023 - May 2024

- Oversaw budget of >\$1500 over 9 events and event series serving 75+ distinct attendees
- Organized events such as an interdepartmental Trivia Night and graduate student talks

Connecting Communities to Technology (501(c)(3) Nonprofit), Director of Python

April 2020 - August 2021

- Organized team of four teachers and designed curricula from scratch for three levels of Python programming classes
- Taught all three courses for free to students from 5 countries online during COVID