Renzo G. Soatto

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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Cambridge, MA

Aug 2024 - Present

PhD in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (expected)

Awards/Honors: Stata Family Presidential Graduate Fellow

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

Aug 2020 - May 2024

B.A. in Computer Science, Highest Distinction

**GPA:** 4.00

Awards/Honors: EECS Honors Program, Phi Beta Kappa

Polytechnic School, Pasadena, CA

Sept 2007 - May 2020

High School Diploma **GPA:** 4.00 (*Cum Laude*)

Awards/Honors: Head of School Award, Scholar Athlete of the Year 2020, Cum Laude Society

Relevant Skills Programming Languages: Python, Java, C, JavaScript, GraphQL, Scheme, SQL, Matlab

Software: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Jupyter, LaTeX

AWS Services: EC2, S3, DynamoDb, Lambda, SageMaker, ECS, CLI, CloudFormation, EFS, AppSync

Technical Skills: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Full-Stack Software Development, Convex Optimization,

Computational Protein Analysis

Spoken Languages: Native: English, Spanish, Cantonese, Italian Intermediate: Mandarin

Professional & Research EXPERIENCE

## BERKELEY AI RESEARCH (BAIR) - ScienceML Group

January 2023 - June 2024

## Undergraduate Student Researcher

Berkeley, CA

- Developing novel kernel methods to regularize deep networks for biological sequence analysis.
- Designing and training Transformer based protein language models for joint sequence modeling and fitness prediction.

Rose Hills Foundation

May - August 2023

2023 SURF Fellow

Berkeley, CA

Walsh-Hadamard Regularization In Deep Learning Models Of Biological Sequences

SASTRY LAB, UC BERKELEY

November 2022 - Present

## Undergraduate Student Researcher

Berkeley, CA

• Ping Pong Robot Project, Vision Component: Using data-driven methods and geometric perception to predict ball trajectory. https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.03024

COMPUTATIONAL GENOMICS SUMMER INSTITUTE

July - August 2023

Participant, Long Program

Los Angeles, CA

AMAZON WEB SERVICES

Summer 2022

## Software Development Intern: Amazon Chime SDK Team

Palo Alto, CA

- Demo Page: Used CloudFormation to create a pre-release standalone demo. Used S3 and DynamoDB for storage, CloudFront for hosting, AppSync to handle queries to DynamoDB and Lambda functions to interface between the resources. Demo was featured in product presentation. Modified production code to add capabilities to existing product.
- ML Model Design and Training: Modified existing Pytorch Model Architecture to incorporate additional capabilities to an unreleased product.

UC BERKELEY EECS DEPARTMENT

Fall 2022, Fall 2021

Course Staff

Berkeley, CA

- Tutor (EECS 16B Fall 2022): Staffing office hours, grading homework
- Academic Intern (CS61B Fall 2021): Assisted students with weekly labs, guided them through projects

Papaya Payments

Summer 2019, June 2021 - May 2022

Software Engineering Intern: Automation Team

Los Angeles, CA

• Software Engineering Intern (2021-2022): Developed Javascript bots to automate bill paying; Optimized company bot production flow; Mentored new automation team hires.

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