

Jonathan Yin

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Education

Yale University

Sept. 2020 - May 2025

DOUBLE MAJOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND STATISTICS & DATA SCIENCE, GPA: 3.98/4.0

- Selected coursework: Distributed Systems, Parallel Programming, Randomized Algorithms, Deep Learning, Intermediate Machine Learning, NLP, Algorithms, Data Structures, Financial Economics, Linear Models, Probability & Statistics Theory, Discrete Math
- Took leave of absence after junior year to work on startup with funding from Y Combinator

Experience

Lifelike (YC S23)

May. 2023 - Nov. 2024

CO-FOUNDER

San Francisco, CA

- Took a leave of absence from Yale to build Lifelike with \$500k funding from Y Combinator, a top startup accelerator
- Launched one of the first real-time low-latency AI phone calls, and scaled to over 300,000 total users with Next.js, FastAPI, AWS ECS, Elasticache, and MySQL
- Served high-volume production traffic from self-hosted LLMs with vLLM and SGLang and built a custom image generation inference library, incorporating various techniques like regional prompting, IP Adapter, and ControlNet
- Fine-tuned LLMs and diffusion models (like Llama 3 and FLUX) to build the first real-time visual roleplay platform with character/scene consistency

Benchling

Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

San Francisco, CA

- Integrated chemical editor into the electronic lab notebook, allowing users to design molecules or chemical reactions within notebook entries
- Created endpoints to convert finalized chemical structures from notebook entries into registered entities usable across the platform
- Feature released to enterprise customers as part of [September 2022 release](#)

Octant

Jun. 2021 - Aug. 2021

MACHINE LEARNING RESEARCH INTERN

Emeryville, CA

- Used graph convolutional networks for molecular property prediction to determine efficacy of drug synthesis pipeline
- Built similarity search tool to optimize which products to synthesize for secondary screening rounds based on hits from primary screen
- Applied K-means and UMAP to developed tool to visualize, cluster, and interactively explore high-dimensional molecular features

Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard - Regev Lab

Jan. 2019 - Dec. 2020

MACHINE LEARNING RESEARCHER

Cambridge, MA

- Worked on improving GPCR binding prediction with compressed sensing, Bayesian methods, and machine learning
- Developed novel deep learning architecture to create more meaningful latent molecular representations
- Paper accepted and selected for oral presentation at 2020 NeurIPS workshop, Learning Meaningful Representations of Life

Conferences

Learning Meaningful Representations for Life

Dec. 2020

NEURAL INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEMS (NEURIPS) 2020 WORKSHOP

- **Yin J***, Chung H*, Regev A. *A multi-view generative model for molecular representation improves prediction tasks* ([paper](#))
- Combined multimodal representation learning with variational autoencoders to improve latent molecular representations ([talk](#))

Skills

Languages

Python, TypeScript, C/C++, Go, R, Java, HTML, CSS

Libraries/Frameworks

Next.js, FastAPI, Flask, TensorFlow, PyTorch, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib