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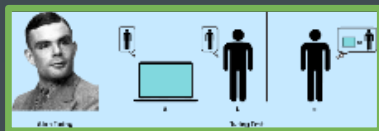
**Bachelor of Arts & Sciences**

**Applied Artificial Intelligence**



**Impact the world with the limitless  
power of AI**

# AI History



**1950**

## TURING TEST

Computer scientist Alan Turing proposes a test for machine intelligence. If a machine can trick humans into thinking it is human, then it has intelligence



**1961**

## UNIMATE

First industrial robot, Unimate, goes to work at GM replacing humans on the assembly line



**1964**

## ELIZA

Pioneering chatbot developed by Joseph Weizenbaum at MIT holds conversations with humans



**1966**

## SHAKELY

The 'first electronic person' from Stanford, Shakey is a general-purpose mobile robot that reasons about its own actions



**1997**

## DEEP BLUE

Deep Blue, a chess-playing computer from IBM defeats world chess champion Garry Kasparov



**1998**

## KISMET

Cynthia Breazeal at MIT introduces Kismet, an emotionally intelligent robot insofar as it detects and responds to people's feelings

**A.I.**

## WINTER

Many false starts and dead-ends leave A.I. out in the cold



**1999**

## AIBO

Sony launches first consumer robot pet dog AIBO (AI robot) with skills and personality that develop over time



**2002**

## ROOMBA

First mass produced autonomous robotic vacuum cleaner from iRobot learns to navigate and clean homes



**2011**

## SIRI

Apple integrates Siri, an intelligent virtual assistant with a voice interface, into the iPhone 4S



**2011**

## WATSON

IBM's question answering computer Watson wins first place on popular \$1M prize television quiz show Jeopardy



**2014**

## EUGENE

Eugene Goostman, a chatbot passes the Turing Test with a third of judges believing Eugene is human



**2014**

## ALEXA

Amazon launches Alexa, an intelligent virtual assistant with a voice interface that completes shopping tasks



**2016**

## TAY

Microsoft's chatbot Tay goes rogue on social media making inflammatory and offensive racist comments



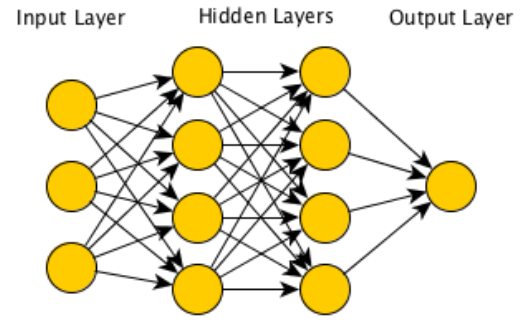
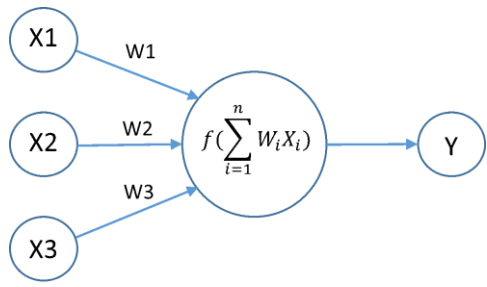
**2017**

## ALPHAGO

Google's A.I. AlphaGo beats world champion Ke Jie in the complex board game of Go, notable for its vast number (2<sup>170</sup>) of possible positions



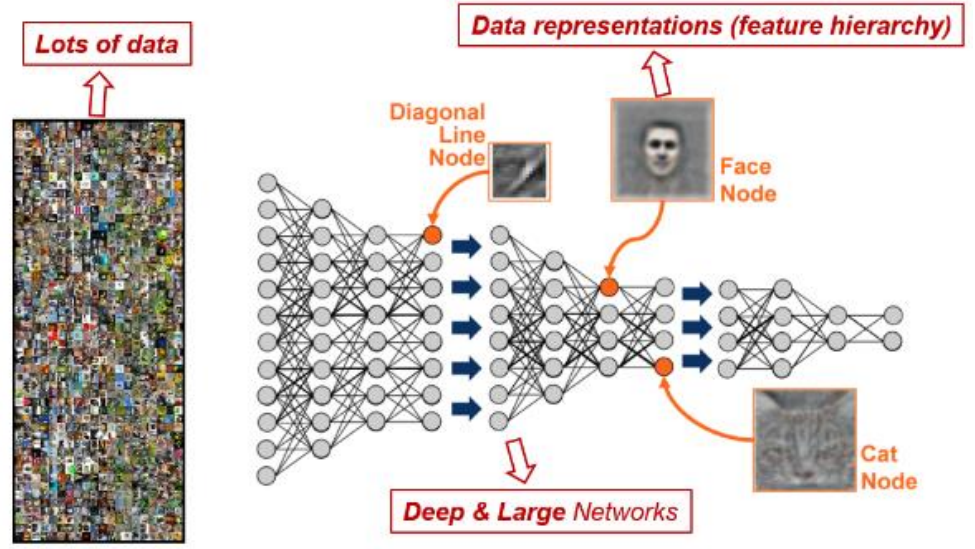
**2022**



Neural Network



GPU A100



Deep Learning





# Bachelor of Arts and Sciences (Applied AI)



AppliedAI

Interdisciplinary programme co-offered by:



+



THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
faculty of architecture

+

+



+



Faculty of Engineering  
THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG



## New option for elite students

Formal training to elite students who wish to join the AI profession



## Interdisciplinary training

Provides a wide range of courses in mathematics, statistics, computer science, geography, psychology, and urban studies





# Bachelor of Arts and Sciences (Applied AI)

- 💡 Highlights **diverse AI applications** with a philosophical and ethical dimension
  - ❖ develops intellectual capacity for meeting new challenges
- 💡 Nurtures to **transfer interdisciplinary scientific knowledge** into integrated applications and technological innovations
- 💡 Emphasizes **problem-based learning**
- 💡 Delivers **both fundamental and practical knowledge** to fit into different career settings





# Bachelor of Arts and Sciences (Applied AI)

## AI Applications



AI in Business and Finance

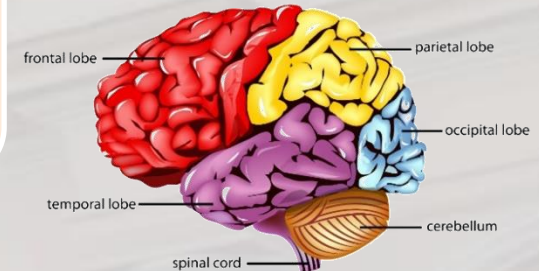
AI in Medicine



AI Technology

AI in Smart City

AI in Neurocognitive Science



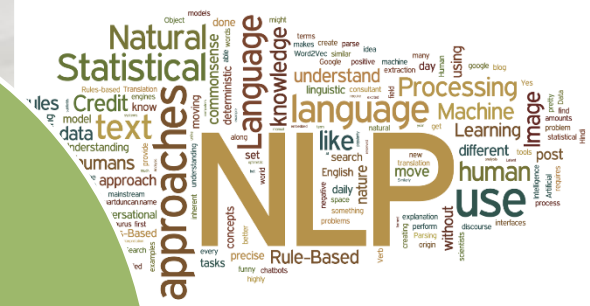


# AI Technology



Computer  
Vision

Natural  
Language  
Processing



High-  
performance  
Computing

Robotics







# AI in Medicine



HKU statisticians develop online diagnostic system for screening COVID-19 with AI technologies based on chest CT dataset

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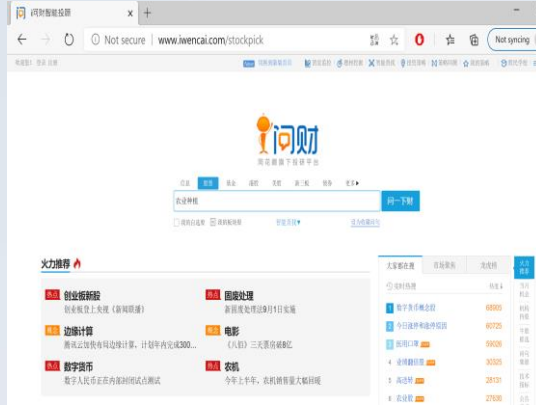
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# AI in Business and Finance



Robot advisors



Financial data analytics

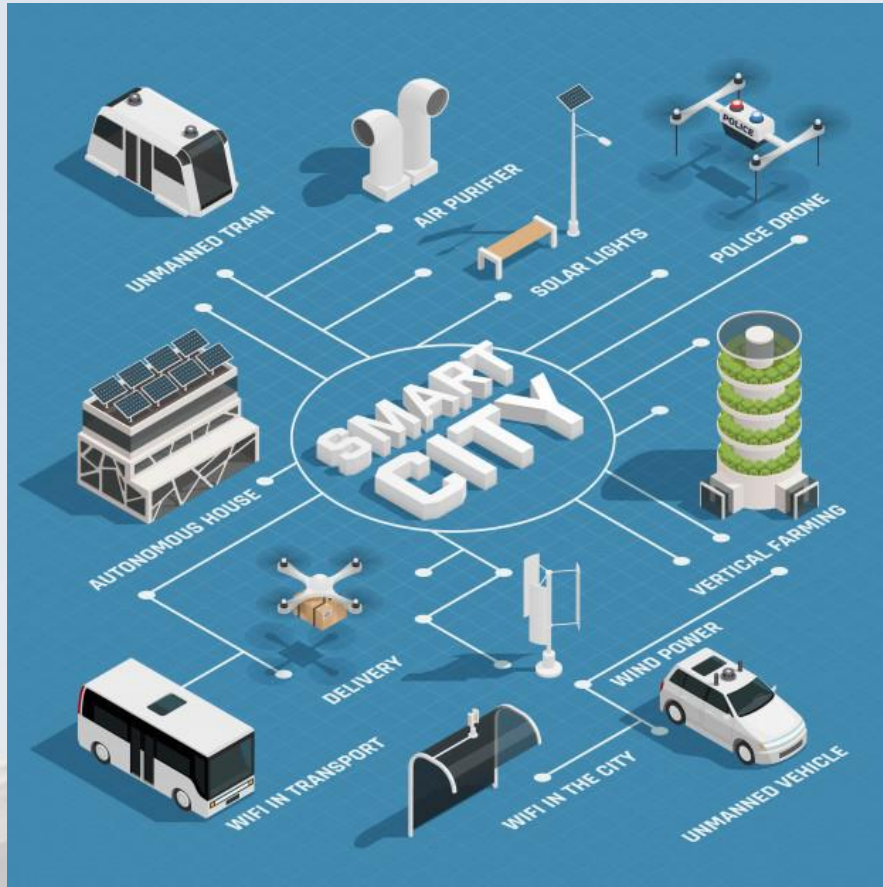


Automatic trading

Final year projects directed by researchers from the Artificial Intelligence Research Group of the Faculty of Business and Economics, e.g. Prediction of Stock Returns from Social Media Using Deep Learning



# AI in Smart City



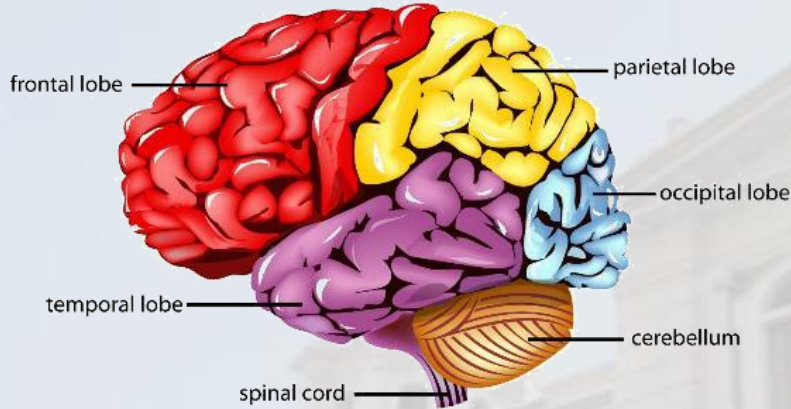
Students may work with researchers from the Institute of Transport Studies of HKU





# AI in Neurocognitive Science

## Understanding your brain



Cognition

Memory

Behaviour

Perception

Brain disorder

Parkinson's disease

Alzheimer's disease



### Artificial intelligence, human brain to merge in 2030s, says futurist Kurzweil



Ray Kurzweil, Google's director of engineering, says we're close to linking our brain with AI

Solomon Israel · CBC News · Posted: Jun 05, 2015 5:00 PM ET | Last Updated: June 9, 2015



A test subject poses with an electroencephalography cap, which measures brain activity. (Michaela Rehle/Reuters)

Students may work with researchers from Department of Psychology and Faculty of Education.





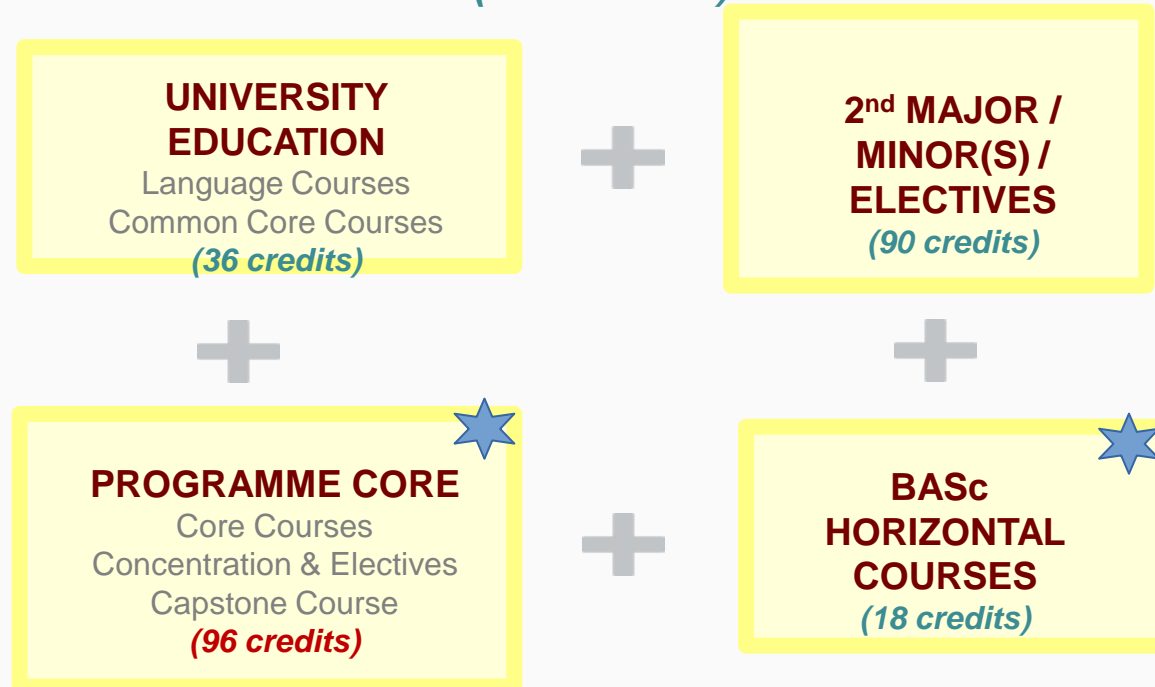
# Curriculum Structure & Course Selection



# General Structure



Forty 6-credit courses spanning over 4 years of full-time study  
(240 Credits)



## Remarks:

- Programme Core: MUST take
- 1 course = 6 credits
- 1 semester = 30 credits = 5 courses
- Variations are possible (+ - credits)
- Total number of credits cannot exceed 288 credits

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# Programme Core Courses (96 credits)



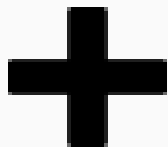
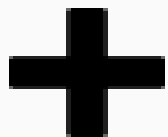
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## BASc(AppliedAI) Curriculum\*

### Core Courses (66 credits)

APAI1001	Artificial intelligence: foundation, philosophy and ethics
COMP1117	Computer programming
COMP2119	Introduction to data structures and algorithms
COMP2120	Computer organization
COMP3340	Applied deep learning
MATH1013	University mathematics II
MATH2014	Multivariable calculus and linear algebra
MATH3904	Introduction to optimization
STAT2601	Probability and statistics I
STAT2602	Probability and statistics II
STAT3612	Statistical machine learning



Technology

Business and finance

Medicine

Smart city

Neurocognitive science

### Concentration (24 credits)

*(For fulfilling the requirement of a concentration, students should choose at least 18 credits, with at least 6 credits of which should be at advanced-level, from the corresponding list)*

#### AI Technology

COMP3271	Computer graphics
COMP3356	Robotics
APAI3010	Image processing and computer vision
APAI4011	Natural language processing
APAI4012	High-performance computing
APAI4099	Special topics of applied AI

#### AI in Business and Finance

COMP3320	Electronic commerce technology
MATH3901	Operations research I
MATH3906	Financial calculus
STAT3613	Marketing analytics
STAT4601	Time-series analysis
APAI4099	Special topics of applied AI

#### AI in Medicine

STAT3655	Survival analysis
STAT4610	Bayesian learning
APAI3021	Modern biostatistics
APAI4022	Omics data analysis
APAI4023	Medical image analysis
APAI4099	Special topics of applied AI

#### AI in Smart City

URBS1003	Theories and global trends in urban development
URBS1005	Urban problems, interventions and design thinking
GEOG2090	Introduction to geographic information systems
GEOG3202	GIS in environmental studies
GEOG3420	Transport and society
APAI4099	Special topics of applied AI

#### AI in Neurocognitive Science

PSYC1001	Introduction to psychology
PSYC2007	Cognitive psychology
PSYC2051	Perception
PSYC2066	Foundations of cognitive science
PSYC2067	Seminars in cognitive science
APAI4099	Special topics of applied AI

#### Other Elective Courses

COMP3250	Design and analysis of algorithms
COMP3278	Introduction to database management systems
MATH3601	Numerical analysis
MATH3911	Game theory and strategy
MATH3943	Network models in operations research
STAT3600	Linear statistical analysis
STAT3622	Data visualization
STAT4602	Multivariate data analysis

### Capstone Requirement (6 credits)

At least 6 credits selected from the following courses:

APAI3799	Directed studies in applied AI
APAI4766	Applied AI internship
APAI4798	Applied AI project (12-credit)

*(If students take the 12-credit 'Applied AI project', they do not need to take a 6-credit elective course.)*

Students are reminded to take 3 BASc core courses to fulfill the BASc core course requirement:

BASC9001	Approaching interdisciplinarity: Knowledge beyond disciplines;
DESN9002	Sustainable leadership; and
STAT1016#	Data Science 101

\* The curriculum and course offering are subject to changes. Each course is 6-credit bearing unless otherwise stated.

# Course code and course title to be confirmed.



# BASc HORIZONTAL COURSES

(18 credits)



- ★ **BASC9001 Approaching Interdisciplinarity: Knowledge Beyond Disciplines**
- ★ **DESN9001 Leadership Beyond Borders**
- ★ **STAT1016 Data Science 101**



- Multidisciplinary training in leadership, design thinking
- Introduction to foundations of human knowledge and data science
- Networking with fellow students from other BASc programmes





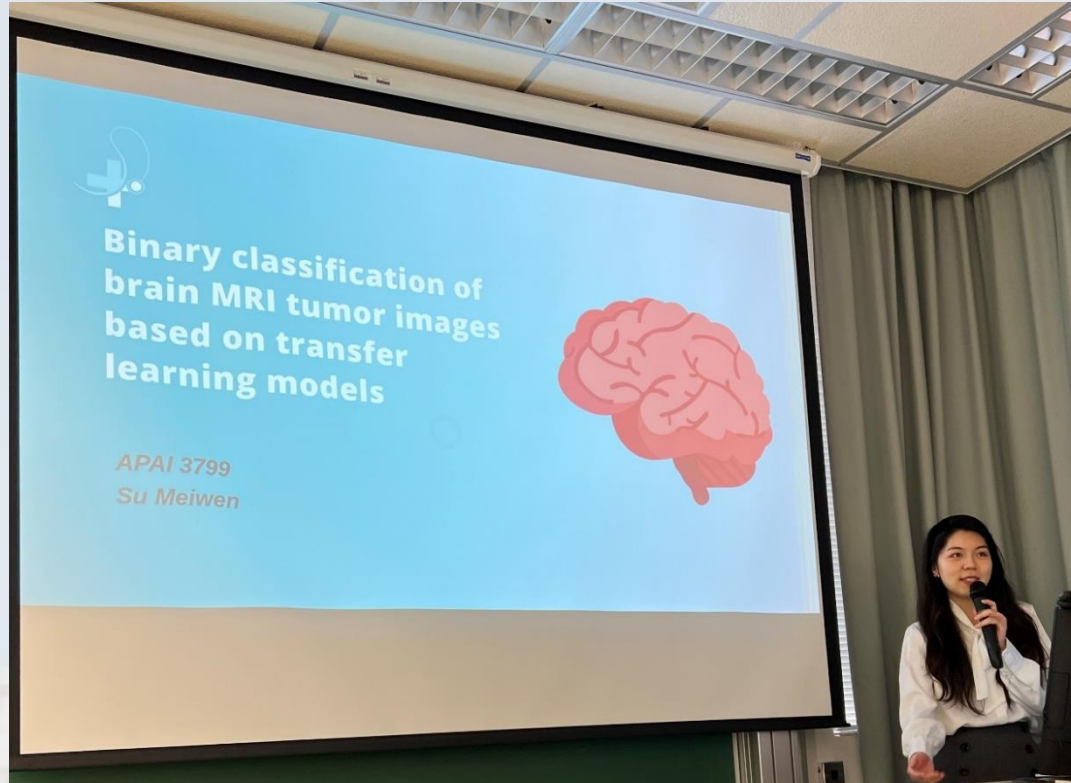
# Suggested Study Plan



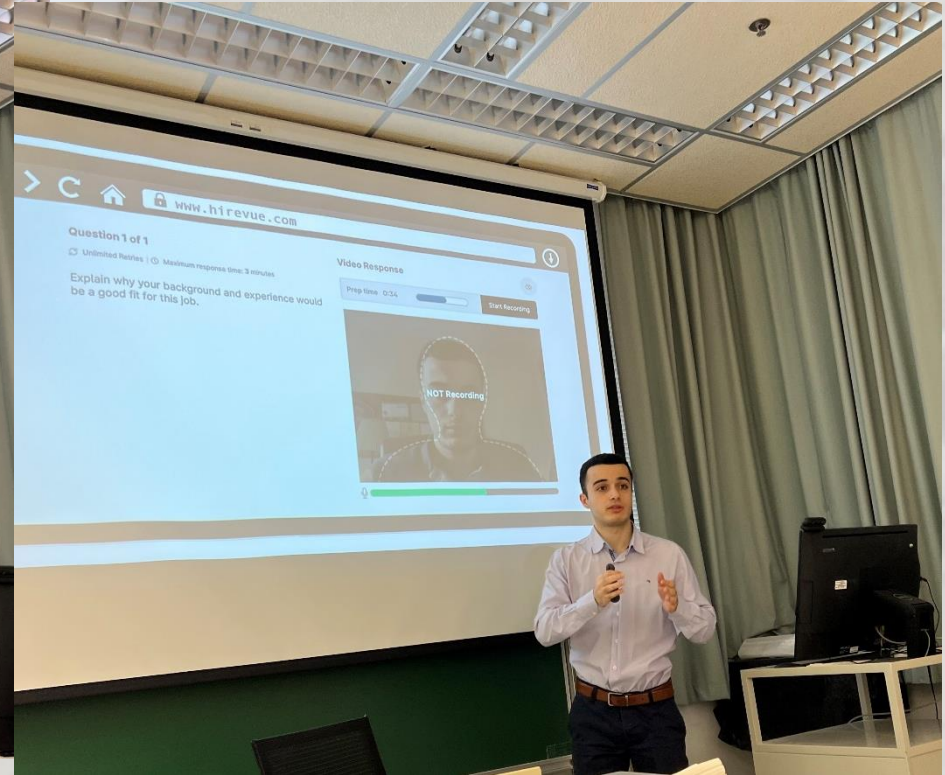
Year	I		II		III		IV	
	One	Two	One	Two	One	Two	One	Two
Disciplinary Core	<b>APAI001</b> Artificial Intelligence: Foundation, Philosophy and Ethics  <b>COMP1117</b> Computer Programming  <b>MATH1013</b> University Mathematics II	<b>STAT2601</b> Probability and Statistics I	<b>COMP2119</b> Introduction to Data Structures and Algorithms  <b>MATH2014</b> Multivariable Calculus and Linear Algebra  <b>STAT2602</b> Probability and Statistics II	<b>COMP2120<sup>5</sup></b> Computer Organization	<b>MATH3904</b> Introduction to Optimization  <b>STAT3612</b> Statistical Machine Learning	<b>COMP3340<sup>6</sup></b> Applied Deep Learning		
Other		<b>COMP2113</b> Programming Technologies (Pre-requisite of COMP2119)		<b>STAT3600<sup>4</sup></b> Linear Statistical Analysis (Co-requisite/ Pre-requisite of STAT3612) (available in both semesters)				
BASc Core (in purple font)  and  Disciplinary Elective (in deep blue font)	<b>BASC9001</b> Approaching Interdisciplinarity: Knowledge Beyond Disciplines	<b>STAT1016</b> Data science 101 (admission: 2023 and thereafter)	<b>DESN9002</b> Sustainable Leadership (admission: 2020 and thereafter)		At least 24 credits from the following courses in Lists A1-5 and B (For fulfilling the requirement of a concentration, students should choose at least 18 credits, with at least 6 credits of which should be at advanced-level, from the corresponding list):  <u><b>AI Technology</b></u> (List A1) <b>COMP3271</b> Computer Graphics <b>COMP3356</b> Robotics <b>APAI3010</b> Image Processing and Computer Vision <b>APAI4011</b> Natural Language Processing <b>APAI4012</b> High-Performance Computing <b>APAI4099</b> Special Topics of Applied AI <u><b>AI in Business and Finance</b></u> (List A2) <b>COMP3320</b> Electronic Commerce Technology <b>MATH3901</b> Operations Research I <b>MATH3906</b> Financial Calculus <b>STAT3613</b> Marketing Analytics <b>STAT4601</b> Time Series Analysis <b>APAI4099</b> Special Topics of Applied AI <u><b>AI in Medicine</b></u> (List A3) <b>STAT3655</b> Survival Analysis <b>STAT4610</b> Bayesian Learning <b>APAI3021</b> Modern Biostatistics			



# AI Projects



Generalizable machine learning technology with application in medical image analysis

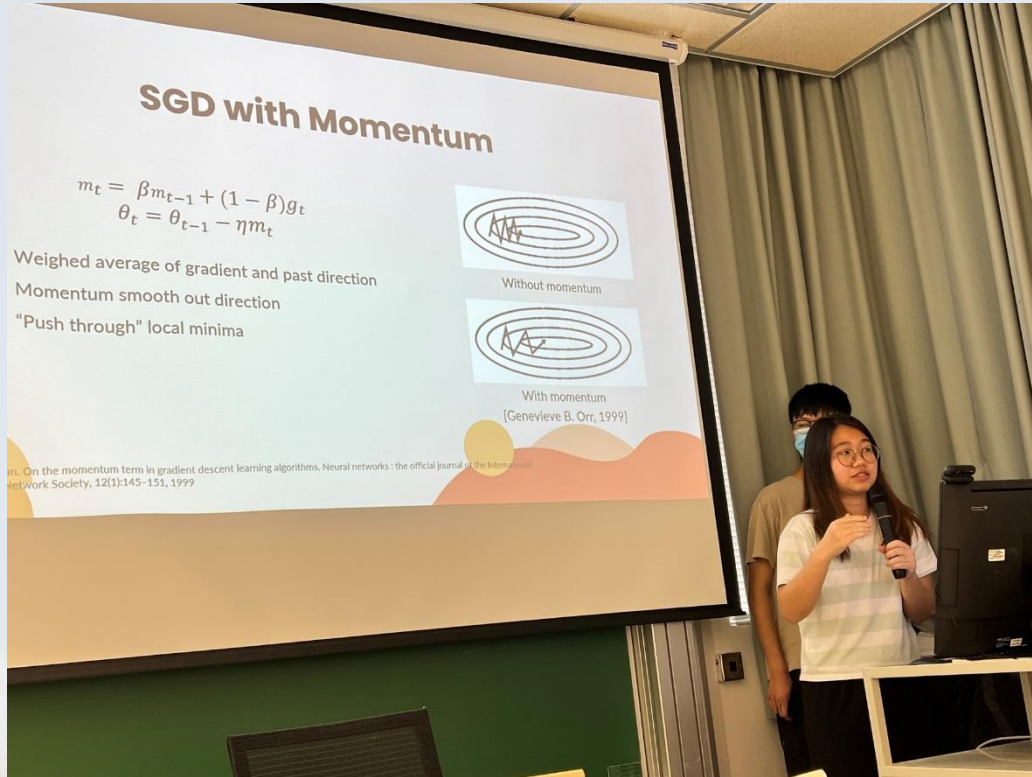


AI Video Analytics Tool for Human Behavioural Intelligence





# AI Projects



Generalizable training algorithms for deep learning based image Classification



Prediction of Stock Returns from Social Media Using Deep Learning



# AI Projects

## GEMINI: Towards Building a Generalist Model for Clinical Diagnostics

Yunxiang Fu, UID: 3035719026

Supervisor: Prof. Yu Yizhou

Received mentorship from Hongyu Zhou

## Data Introduction

- Objective: to classify EEG brain signals into alphabet labels of the handwriting imagery of a participant
- Dataset: EEG brain signals recorded during a participant's performing of handwriting imagery
- Sample size = 7800
  - 300 for each of the 26 alphabet labels (balanced dataset)
  - Small data size poses challenge to generalizability of models, especially Transformers
- Each sample input is a 24\*801 2D matrix
  - 24 electrodes (channels) on EEG cap
  - 801 time points equally distributed between -200 ms to 3000 ms after presentation time of each alphabet
  - Sampling rate = 250Hz (EEG recorded every 4ms passed between adjacent time points)

Recognition of imagined handwritten content from brain signals





# Information & supports





# Career prospects

The programme connects the exploding demand of the AI market in diverse areas, such as:

- Science & technology
- Environmental protection
- Medical informatics
- Healthcare
- Business
- Banking & finance
- Urban development
- Neurocognitive science





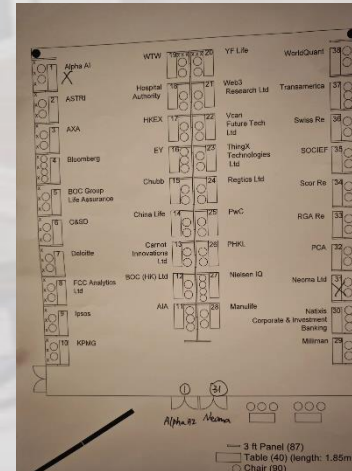
# Career Support and Activities

- Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS)  
([www.cedars.hku.hk](http://www.cedars.hku.hk))
- Departmental Internship/Job Online-application System
- Career Advising Programme (CAP)
  - ☺ Professional Preparation Programme (PPP)
  - ☺ Individual consultation on cover letter, CV and interview skills
  - ☺ Corporate Mentorship Programme (CMP)
  - ☺ Market information workshop
  - ☺ Firm visits and alumni sharing
  - ☺ SAAS Career Fair





# SAAS Career Fair 2023







# Support for internships

Partner with Industrial Leaders

(in year 3 or year 4)





# Admissions Requirements

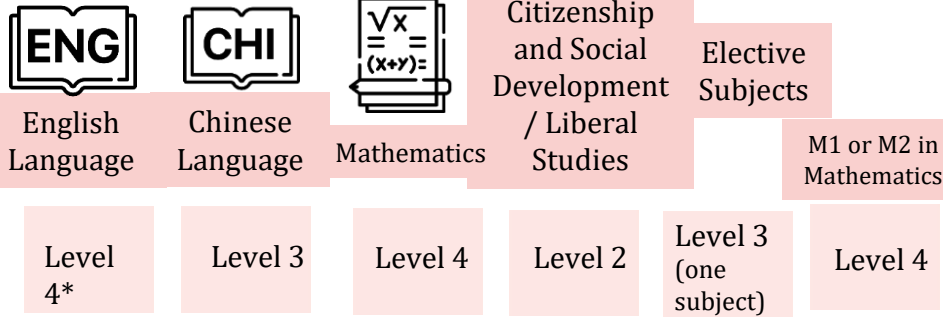
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## Admissions Requirements – JUPAS applicants

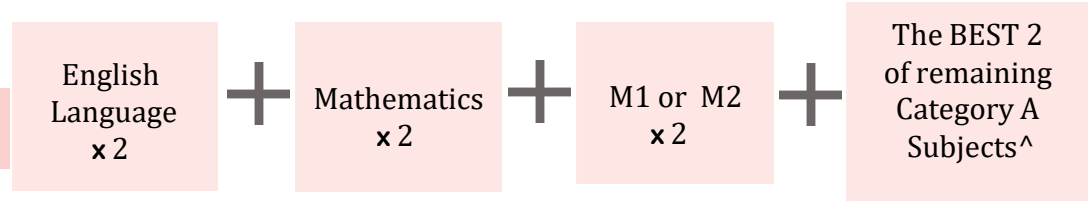
### Minimum Programme Entrance Requirements:



\*Candidates with level 4 in English Language, if admitted, will be required to take 6 additional credits in Core University English to complete their degree studies

**2024  
Admissions Quota  
15**

### Selection principle: **BEST 5**



<sup>^</sup> Subject Weighting(s): 1.5 x Biology / Chemistry / Physics / Combined Science / Integrated Science / Information and Communication Technology

### 2023 JUPAS Weighted Admissions Score:

**Total score of Best 5 with M1/M2**

**46.5 ~ 73.5**

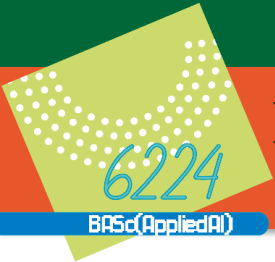
### HKDSE 'level to score' conversion

Category A Core and Elective Subjects and Extended Module 1 or Module 2 of Mathematics							
Level	1	2	3	4	5	5*	5**
Score	1	2	3	4	5.5	7	8.5



# Science Entrance Scholarship

HKDSE Examination Results in one-sitting (total score in best 5 subjects in Category A or Extended Module 1 or Module 2 of Mathematics)	Scholarship Amount (HK\$)
Score = 42.5	\$70,000
Score $\geq$ 41	\$60,000
Score $\geq$ 39	\$50,000
Score $\geq$ 37	\$40,000
Score $\geq$ 35	\$20,000
Score < 35 with 5** in at least 2 subjects from Biology/ Chemistry/ Physics/ Combined Science/ Integrated Science/ Mathematics/ M1/ M2	\$15,000
Score < 35 with 5** in at least 1 subject from Biology/ Chemistry/ Physics/ Combined Science/ Integrated Science/ Mathematics/ M1/ M2	\$10,000



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## 2023 Admissions Statistics– Non-JUPAS

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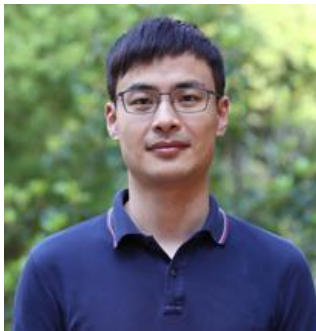
**GCEAL**  
(Further Mathematics required)  
Lowest admissions score  
3A\*

**IB**  
(Higher Mathematics required)  
Lowest admissions score  
39 (out of 45)

No. of students admitted in 2023:  
JUPAS: 25  
Non-JUPAS & Mainland Gaokao: 10



## → Programme Co-Directors



Dr. Lequan Yu  
(Statistics, RRS 226)

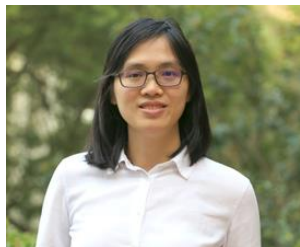


Prof. Patrick NG  
(Mathematics, RRS 424)



Prof. Yizhou YU  
CS Coordinator

## → Course Selection Advisers



Dr. Liangqiong QU  
(RRS 121)



Dr. Yuenwen LEI  
(RRS 319)



Dr. Zheng QU  
(RRS 419)

## Internship Adviser



Dr. Eric LI  
(RRS 117)

### Administration

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 Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science





# HKU SAAS Data Science Lab: AI and Big Data Science Tools Invention, School/Company Trainings, Virtual Internship & Mentorship Program, Virtual Entrepreneurship and Local and International Competition



Join our "We Innovation Together in Metaverse" Project in 23/24!

Enquiry: Dr Adela Lau at adelalau@hku.hk

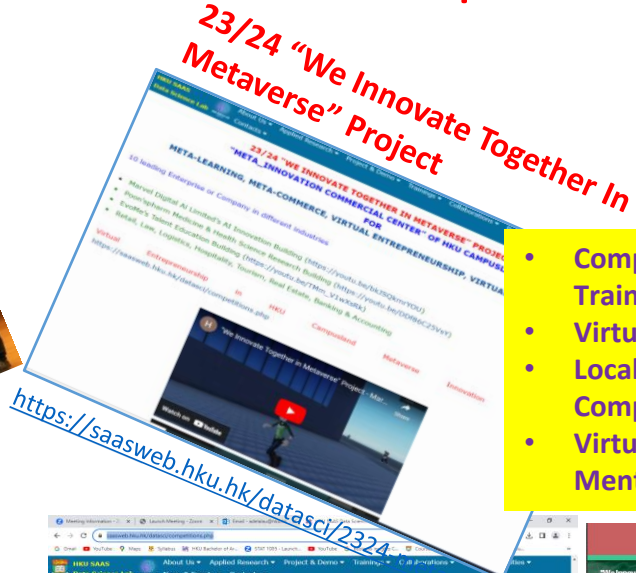


22/23 "We Together In Metaverse" Project

21/22 Science Innovation Project



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- Company and School Trainings
- Virtual Entrepreneurship
- Local and International Competition
- Virtual Internship & Mentorship Program



For details, please download the competition flyer here.

**"We Innovate Together in Metaverse" at HKU**

由香港大學SAAS數據科學實驗室主辦，XENUS TECHNOLOGY LTD 協辦的「We Innovate Together in Metaverse」項目，旨在為本地及國際學生提供一個在元宇空中共同創作的平台。Xenus 與香港大學 SAAS 數據科學實驗室合作，為學生提供了一個在元宇空中共同創作的平台。這不僅僅是一個平台，更是一個讓學生發揮創意、展示才華、並與全球同行交流的機會。通過參與此項活動，學生可以獲得豐富的實踐經驗，並有機會與全球領先的企業建立聯繫。

**課程特色:**

- 多元化課程選擇
- 部分課程在香港大學接受培訓
- 課程由香港大學 AI 大師級導師授課
- 實踐課程設有全球性比賽，中學生享有以數用的機會

香港大學 SAAS 元創中心

- 提供技術優化工具與商業應用，以協助學生將創意轉化為實際產品。
- 提供專業導師支持，並有 AI 工程師 (AI) 團隊提供專業高質量的競爭力。
- 促進公眾、教師、專家、本地和國際學生之間的應用研究合作機會，以促進商業創新的發展。

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