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Dear Members of the Awards Committee,

I am writing this letter to express my strongest support for the nomination of **Professor Anima Anandkumar** for the 2022 Albert Einstein World Award of Science. She has done groundbreaking work in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML), and applied them successfully to a diverse set of scientific domains leading to unprecedented insights.

Professor Anandkumar is currently a Bren professor at Caltech in the computing and mathematical sciences department. She also is Director of machine-learning research at NVIDIA.

I believe that the AI and ML algorithms developed by Professor Anandkumar have the potential to revolutionize the area that I work on: protein engineering. Protein engineering is notoriously challenging, as the space of protein sequences is so large that it can be searched only very sparsely, experimentally or computationally. In order to search intelligently, we would need accurate simulations to model their structure and dynamics. However, current scientific simulations are too expensive, especially for fine-scale simulations. Thus the search is now mostly done experimentally, at high cost and with low success.

Professor Anandkumar has been a trailblazer in developing AI algorithms that speed up existing scientific simulations thousands of times without sacrificing accuracy. She created a principled foundation for learning complex multi-scale phenomena by framing it as learning in infinite dimensions. This insight enabled her to remove dependence on the resolution or grid used for training her AI models. Moreover, her AI methods carefully balance training data with prior knowledge such as physical laws and symmetries. This nuanced approach has allowed her to completely replace existing simulators in many domains such as fluid dynamics, molecular dynamics and quantum chemistry, while being thousands to hundreds of thousands of times faster.

Professor Anandkumar recently worked with interdisciplinary teams to apply her AI methods for studying the coronavirus, one of the most pressing problems facing humanity today. Her methods enabled accurate modeling of the interactions of the coronavirus with the respiratory aerosol for the first time. The most accurate simulations involve capturing quantum-level interactions. Professor Anandkumar previously developed novel AI methods to replace existing tools for such calculations while being thousands of times faster. In addition, her AI algorithms can accurately capture the replication dynamics of the coronavirus as it invades the cells in a host. These efforts were recognized as finalists by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Gordon Bell Special Prize for High Performance Computing-Based COVID-19 Research.

Professor Anandkumar's works have already reaped promising benefits in multiple scientific domains. Her resolution-invariant AI model produces state-of-art weather prediction and is hundreds of thousands of times faster than current numerical methods. She is able to model the process of carbon capture and storage, an important tool in tackling climate change. In addition, she has applied her method for modeling the complex multiscale process of stress in materials, seismic phenomena, lithograph process and ultrasound waves: a list that is growing rapidly.



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We have started an ambitious interdisciplinary collaboration with Prof. Anandkumar involving multiple faculty in biology and chemistry to employ her AI methods and integrate it closely with our workflows. I expect that this will lead to transformative advances, resulting in reduction of our experimental costs by thousands of times or more, to engineer biomolecules such as biocatalysts. Ultimately, I see this impacting a broad range of applications from sustainable chemistry and biofuels to biomedicine and biosensors.

Professor Anandkumar is also a community builder. She co-founded AI4Science, a campus-wide initiative at Caltech to enable development and integration of AI into interdisciplinary applications. That spurred the researchers from different backgrounds to join hands and innovate in a short amount of time.

Previously, Prof. Anandkumar pioneered tensor algorithms for learning probabilistic models. Tensors are central for effectively processing multidimensional and multimodal data, and for achieving massive parallelism in large-scale AI applications. The tensor algorithms proposed by Prof. Anandkumar are fundamentally a new class of AI algorithms and the first theoretically guaranteed methods for solving a broad range of problems in unsupervised, supervised, and reinforcement learning. Building on these strong foundations, Prof. Anandkumar has also found great success in making these algorithms practical. She productionized these tensor algorithms at Amazon Web Services, making them the most scalable algorithms for document categorization and probabilistic modeling available on the cloud. She has open-sourced her frameworks which are widely adopted by the community.

In summary, Prof. Anandkumar belongs to a rare breed of researchers whose contributions span a broad spectrum: building novel foundations for AI, transforming the practice of AI, and applying them to scientific domains that are greatly beneficial to humanity. I consider her a superb candidate for this prestigious award.

Sincerely,

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To whom it may concern,

This letter is in support of the nomination of Professor Anima Anandkumar for the WCC Albert Einstein Prize. I have known Prof. Anandkumar for about a decade, since she was a visitor in my institute, Microsoft Research New England, in 2012. I have followed her work closely since that time.

Prof. Anandkumar has made exceptional contributions to artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML). She co-invented and substantially developed tensor methods that guarantee efficient learning of probabilistic models. More recently, she has developed several algorithms and frameworks for generalizable and robust deep learning and has applied them to scientific domains leading to significant progress.

Prof. Anandkumar co-invented tensor methods for efficient learning and built a strong foundation for guaranteed learning using them. Prior to her work, tensors were not even familiar to the machine learning community. Prof. Anandkumar's extensive body of work completely changed that; today tensor methods are central to machine learning (ML). Tensors are central to synergizing the three facets of ML, namely data, algorithms, and compute infrastructure. As we collect rich multi-dimensional and multi-modal data, tensors are the natural data structures to store and manipulate them. Algorithms that manipulate these data tensors harness the most useful information, compared to ones that destroy the multi-dimensional nature by representing them as matrices. For computation, tensors enable higher parallelism due to their multi-dimensional nature and have been incorporated into accelerated hardware such as GPUs. Prof. Anandkumar's vision to bring these facets together with tensor methods has transformed multiple areas of machine learning.

In 2012, Prof. Anandkumar started focusing on the problem of learning latent variable models, while visiting my lab at Microsoft Research New England. Learning latent variable models is a form of unsupervised learning, and it is considered as one of the hardest problems since there are no labels available at the time of training. The goal is to design algorithms that can automatically extract hidden or latent factors from data. Prof. Anandkumar started thinking about using higher order moments for learning, in contrast to standard methods such as principal component analysis, which only looks at pairwise correlations.

Prof. Anandkumar realized that tensors are a natural approach for expressing and processing these higher order moments. Her work on tensor methods provided the first guaranteed method for learning latent variable models with only a polynomial number of samples and computations with respect to the dimensions of the dataset. They utilize factorization of low-order data moments, such as third or fourth moments, and can learn a broad class of models such as cluster models, topic models, hidden Markov models (for time series), and network community models. Her seminal paper laid the theoretical foundation that provided new tools for algorithmic development as well as in addition, deriving guarantees for many other non-convex ML algorithms. These methods are now widely adopted in a wide array of applications and available on large-scale deployments such as the Amazon Web Services ML cloud platform.

In addition, Prof. Anandkumar has worked on designing well-grounded AI and ML approaches to handle hard problems in the basic sciences. Currently, numerical methods are the workhorse of scientific simulations. But they are slow, hard to parallelize and have modeling errors. A data-driven approach can overcome such errors and vastly speed up the computations.

Prof. Anandkumar recently developed a novel framework for learning phenomena such as turbulent fluid flows that are multi-scale and potentially chaotic. Since the underlying process described by partial differential equations (PDE) is continuous, she designed a resolution-invariant model that works seamlessly across different discretization. This allows for zero-shot super-resolution, i.e., train on low-resolution data and evaluate on high-resolution points, making it efficient for large-scale simulations. Prof. Anandkumar took an ingenious approach in framing this as compositions of linear integral operators with non-linear functions, thereby extending standard neural networks to infinite dimensional spaces. She then made it practical by learning the integral operator through Fourier basis. She established an approximation theory for the neural operator, proving its ability to universally approximate any non-linear phenomenon.

Prof. Anandkumar used the above approach to solve challenging PDEs such as turbulent fluid flows useful for weather and climate prediction, carbon dioxide storage in reservoirs for climate change mitigation, inelastic impact in materials, lithography process, ultrasound imaging and many other complex phenomena, resulting in significant speedup (thousands to hundreds of thousands of times) compared to standard numerical methods. She also has ongoing collaborations with the Clima group at Caltech and NERSC at Lawrence Berkeley Lab to use neural operators to build large-scale weather and climate prediction models. The latter collaboration has yielded a state-of-art weather model that is completely AI-driven and can do fine-scale predictions a hundred thousand times faster than current numerical methods. Recognizing this impact, Prof. Anandkumar was recently invited to present this work at the Annual Meeting of the US National Committee for Theoretical and Applied Mechanics. Her work has also been featured in popular articles such as the Quanta magazine and MIT Technology Review, in addition to her publications in top venues in AI and domain research.

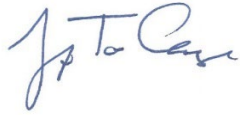
Prof. Anandkumar has also proposed novel AI methods for drug discovery. Discovery of new drugs and materials with precisely targeted properties can be greatly aided by its quantum chemical properties. However, the complexity of the quantum problem makes it infeasible even for the largest supercomputers. Prof. Anandkumar developed AI method, known as Orbnet that is thousands of times faster over traditional methods allowing accurate quantum chemistry calculations to be performed at scale. Orbnet combines domain-specific knowledge: the Schrödinger equation and equivariance (i.e., 3D symmetry) constraints with graph neural networks. This allows zero-shot transferability to molecules much larger than the training data for Orbnet as well as strong predictability of a wide range of chemical properties.

Both of the above methods, i.e., neural operator and Orbnet, were employed on supercomputers in large-scale molecular simulations to study the coronavirus. They were recognized as finalists for the prestigious ACM Gordon Bell Special Prize for Covid Research. This recognition is a testament to the efficacy of these methods and the vast potential they present for revolutionizing the realm of scientific computing.

In addition to the above contributions, Prof. Anandkumar has also developed a vast array of principled methods in AI for handling domain shifts, enabling compositional generalization and efficient reinforcement learning. Distributional shifts are common in real-world problems, e.g., often synthetic data is used to train in data-limited domains. Prof. Anandkumar developed a general framework to handle any arbitrary distributional shifts using distributionally robust learning techniques. She has also worked on practical and robust reinforcement learning methods for handling safety and stability constraints in control systems, which is crucial for applications such as autonomous driving and healthcare. Her holistic approach towards tackling the core challenges in AI has already yielded tremendous impact in a vast array of areas and will continue to do so in the coming years.

Prof. Anandkumar has my strongest support for the WCC Albert Einstein Prize.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J.T. Chayes". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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February 13, 2022

To whom it may concern,

I am very pleased to support the nomination of Anima Anandkumar for the 2022 Albert Einstein World Award of Science. Anima is one of the top midcareer machine learning (ML) researchers in the world. At the interface between ML and scientific computing—a hugely important and active area, and arguably one in which ML has had the biggest real-world impact—I would rank Anima as the top researcher regardless of career stage.

I will discuss just two of Anima's major contributions: tensor decompositions for probabilistic models and “neural operator” models for high-dimensional systems. Either is adequate to establish her qualification for election as Fellow.

I am familiar with Anima's work on tensor models, having published a somewhat related paper in NeurIPS 2013, the same year Anima started publishing on this topic. Her work quickly demonstrated far more sophistication and she found many ways to apply the core ideas to a range of problems. The key idea is that any system whose state can naturally be thought of as an  $n$ -dimensional array (for example, sea-surface height measurements over a 2-D grid, pressure measurements over a 3-D volume) is far better represented using tensors rather than turning the array of data points into a vector and applying standard models such as probabilistic components analysis (PCA) for static data or a Kalman filter for time-series data. As with all her work, Anima not only had an original insight, but also brought to bear an incredibly impressive armory of mathematical tools with which to develop new theory, algorithms, and performance guarantees.

The area of ML for scientific computing has been growing rapidly in importance in the last few years. Various researchers have shown, for example, that one can train a deep network to predict complex fluid flows quite accurately given the initial state. Often the calculations are much faster than finite-element methods. Sometimes the answers are completely wrong.

Anima's work in this area has been at the leading edge, and the recent magnum opus “Neural Operator: Learning Maps Between Function Spaces” with Andrew Stuart and others is quite remarkable: it simultaneously takes the field into brand new territory and puts it on a sound mathematical footing. The key idea is that a physical system is not a discrete set of data points evolving in discrete time, to which a standard deep network can be fitted. Instead, it is a continuum evolving in continuous time, to which one can fit a computation graph composed of functional operators (e.g., integral operators). This allows for a scale-free, learned model of a complex system that is, by construction, consistent with any desired PDE constraints. The results so far suggest speedups of three to six orders of magnitude compared to traditional finite-element computations—

equivalent to twenty to forty years of progress in computing hardware and making possible computations that would not be feasible with traditional methods on any physically imaginable computer the world could assemble in the foreseeable future.

One could build an entire graduate course around this one paper. The implications, as Frances Arnold explains in the nomination letter, are enormous for many areas of science—not just those where numerical computation and simulations are already utilized, but perhaps in many other areas where this has been absurdly impractical up to now. To pick one potential example with which I am familiar: it should now be possible to image the Earth's interior from seismic data with unprecedented accuracy, leading to predictive earthquake models and to real-time seismic simulations that would improve the accuracy and sensitivity of global nuclear explosion monitoring by two orders of magnitude.

Although Anima's results in this area are quite recent, it's reasonable to equate their significance with that of the finite-element method, which underlies almost every application of computers to problems in all areas of science and engineering but may soon be obsolete.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stuart Russell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the "Yours sincerely," text.

Stuart Russell  
Professor of Computer Science, UC Berkeley



# Resume of Professor Anima Anandkumar

Professor Anima Anandkumar is a world-renowned leader in artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML). She has done pioneering work in developing novel AI and ML algorithms that have had a significant impact in the scientific domains, which is still a nascent area. She has proposed principled deep learning algorithms that are robust and generalizable, and has applied them to modeling complex phenomena such as the weather and the coronavirus. She has worked closely with domain experts in multiple scientific domains and has shown progress in a short amount of time. Earlier in her career, she did seminal work on tensor methods which are the first guaranteed algorithms for learning latent-variable models that are efficient and scalable.

## Achievements

AI and ML have the potential to revolutionize scientific workflows by significantly improving the speed of simulations as well as removing modeling errors through data-driven approaches. Professor Anandkumar has developed AI-based simulations that are thousands of times faster than existing numerical methods and applied them to multiple domains.

**Professor Anandkumar’s AI algorithms have enabled an unprecedented understanding of the coronavirus.** She was part of interdisciplinary research that resulted in two publications selected as finalists for the 2021 Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Gordon Bell Special Prize for High Performance Computing-Based COVID-19 Research. One of the papers studies the replication mechanism used by the coronavirus to reproduce at a high speed when it invades a host’s cells. The team used AI models to bridge the gap between coarse-scale cryo-electron microscopy data and finer-scale simulations that are too expensive to run. Her AI model accurately captures the time-dependent conformational changes in molecular dynamics during the replication of the coronavirus. In the other finalist paper, AI methods were used to model an aerosolized particle of the virus. The team deployed an unprecedented 1.05-billion-atom system, one of the largest biochemical systems ever modeled at the atomic level, to model the interactions of the COVID-19 spike protein and the aerosol phase with calcium ions, since calcium ions are known to play a key role in mucin aggregation in epithelial tissues. Professor Anandkumar’s speedup of quantum-mechanical calculations using AI methods allowed them to be used in this large-scale biological system for the first time to obtain a precise characterization.

Professor Anandkumar proposed novel AI methods for the above applications since existing AI methods are unsuitable. This is because standard AI methods mostly fail to generalize beyond the training domain, which is a limitation in scientific domains where extrapolation is required. For instance, standard AI methods expect data to be at a fixed resolution which does not hold for modeling multi-scale phenomena such as molecular dynamics. Professor Anandkumar developed a framework known as the neural operator that is resolution and grid invariant, and can generalize across different discretization. This principled approach is the first AI method to replace numerical solvers for partial differential equations in many domains, while being significantly faster. It also

incorporates physical laws and domain constraints for reducing modeling errors and enabling effective generalization. In addition to studying the replication dynamics of the coronavirus discussed above, she has applied neural operator to many challenging multi-scale problems such as modeling global weather ( $10^5$  speedup), carbon capture and storage ( $10^4$  speedup), inelastic impact in materials ( $10^5$  speedup), and seismic wave propagation ( $10^3$  speedup). In recognition of her impact, she was recently invited to present her work at the Annual Meeting of the US National Committee for Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, which serves as a focal point for charting future priorities in mechanics.

Professor Anandkumar also developed AI methods to speed-up quantum-mechanical calculations of molecular behavior, which are fundamental for characterizing their properties. This algorithm is thousands of times faster over existing methods while maintaining the same accuracy. It was used to study the aerosolized coronavirus, described earlier. It combines deep learning models with domain-specific knowledge such as the molecular orbital features and symmetry constraints. This enables her method to maintain fidelity on molecules much larger than the training data, which is not true for standard AI algorithms. This method is now licensed to Entos, a startup spun out of Caltech, where it is being employed for drug discovery.

**Earlier in her faculty career, Professor Anandkumar invented a new class of algorithms for efficient learning of probabilistic models with latent or hidden variables.** This is a fundamental problem in unsupervised learning, where the phenomena of interest is typically unobserved, and it is necessary to incorporate hidden variables into modeling. The standard approach for solving this through expectation maximization (EM) is prone to failure and tends to be far from the optimal solution, especially in high dimensions. Professor Anandkumar introduced a new class of methods based on tensor decomposition which utilize factorization of low-order data moments, such as third or fourth moments. They are guaranteed to learn a broad class of models that capture diverse phenomena such as clustering, document categorization, time series and network communities.

The guarantees for tensor methods that Professor Anandkumar also lay new theoretical foundations for a broad class of non-convex optimization problems. She uncovered special structures in these problems to guarantee recovery of the optimal solution using efficient local-search methods such as gradient descent. She has further characterized fundamental relationships between statistical and computational limits in learning as well between phase transitions and the hardness of learning. In addition to the strong theoretical foundations, Professor Anandkumar has been actively bridging the gaps between theory and practice. She scaled her tensor algorithms on the Amazon Web Services, as part of the cloud ML platform she built which has been used by tens of thousands of customers. Additionally, her open-source framework Tensorly has been a driving force in democratizing tensor methods, and driving its adoption in a wide range of applications.

Professor Anandkumar is a Bren chair professor at Caltech, the highest honor that the university bestows upon its faculty and is the youngest person to receive such an honor. She is also the Director of ML research at NVIDIA, and her dual roles in industry and academia have enabled her to bridge theory and practice of AI successfully. She has received many awards such as the Alfred. P. Sloan fellowship and the NSF Career Award. She is a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and belongs to the expert network of the World Economic Forum.

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**Director of Machine Learning Research**, NVIDIA, Santa Clara, CA. *Since 2018*

**Bren Professor**, CMS Dept., California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA. *Since 2017*

## Current Research Interests

Building algorithmic foundations for artificial intelligence and machine learning, and applying them to diverse applications in the sciences. Deep learning, probabilistic models, optimization and tensor methods.

## Previous Appointments

**Principal Scientist**, Amazon AI, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Palo Alto, CA. *2016 - 2018*

**Associate Professor**, ICS Dept., University of California, Irvine, CA. *2016 - 2017*

**Assistant Professor**, EECS Dept., University of California, Irvine, CA. *2010 - 2016*

**Visiting Researcher** at Microsoft Research New England, Cambridge, MA. *2012 - 2012*

**Post-doctoral Associate** at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA. *2009 - 2010*

## Education

**Doctor of Philosophy** in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Cornell University. *2009*

**Bachelor of Technology** in Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Madras. *2004*

## Awards and Honors

1. **IEEE Fellow, 2020.**
2. **Venturebeat Women in AI Research Award, 2020.**
3. **NYTimes GoodTech Award, 2018.**
4. **Bren Named Chair Professorship at Caltech, 2017.**
5. **Expert network of World Economic Forum, 2017.**
6. **Google Faculty Research Award 2015.**
7. **AFOSR Young Investigator Award (YIP) 2015.**
8. **Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship 2014.**
9. **Microsoft Faculty Fellowship 2013.**
10. **ARO Young Investigator Award (YIP) 2013.**
11. **NSF CAREER Award 2013.**
12. **ACM SIGMETRICS 2011 Best Paper Award.**
13. **Best Thesis Award 2009** by ACM SIGMETRICS Society.

## Scientific Leadership

Expert network of the World Economic Forum.

Chaired the committee on mapping AI progress at Global Governance of AI Roundtable (GGAR).

Scientific advisory committee for the Center for Autonomous Systems and Technologies (CAST) at Caltech.

Co-director of Decision, Optimization and Learning (Dolcit), Caltech.

Co-director of AI4Science initiative, Caltech.

Advisory Council for McKinsey, NORC at University of Chicago and ECE Department at Cornell University.

Judge for MIT Technology Review 35 under 35 and Forbes AI 50.

PC for ICML 2012-19, NIPS 2014-18, AISTATS 2016, UAI 2013-14, SIGMETRICS 2014-16.

Action Editor for Journal of Machine Learning Research. Assoc. Editor for Harvard Data Science Review, Assoc. Editor for IEEE Tran. on Signal Processing (2012-2014).

Workshop Chair for ICML 2017. Organizer of several workshops at ICML, NIPS, Fields institute, Dagstuhl.

Democratizing AI through NVIDIA inception program, cloud credit program at AWS and through sponsorships of ML conferences, hackathons and student-run tech events.

Board of directors at GoBeyondResumes, a non-profit to help companies recruit based on skills, not resume keywords.

## Invited Talks, Podcasts and Media

### Keynotes and Named Lectures

SIAM Annual Meeting, 2021.

TEDx Gateway, 2021.

AI for Mechanics, Committee on mechanics, National Academy of Sciences, 2020.

KDD ADS Keynote, 2020.

Top 50 Innovators, Royal Society, London, 2019.

UW Boeing Distinguished Lecture, 2019.

SIAM CSE plenary talk, 2019.

Michigan Institute of Data Science (MIDAS) Distinguished lecture, 2019.

Techfest, IIT Bombay, 2019.

Simons Institute Open Lecture, UC Berkeley, 2018.

TEDx, Indiana University, 2018.

Geekpark Rebuild, Chengdu, 2018.

Digital Innovation Forum, Taipei, 2018.

QS Caltech Innovator Series, NYC, 2018.

ACM India Joint Intl. Conf. on Data Science and Management of Data (CoDS-COMAD), 2018.  
EmTech China, MIT Technology Review, Beijing, 2018.  
Data Science Annual Conference (DSCO), UCSF, 2017.  
Information Theory and Applications, San Deigo, 2017.  
Indaba Deep Learning, South Africa, 2017.

### **Podcasts/Documentary features**

Interview by Ken Jee on advice for those who want to get into ML.(Link)  
Interview on face recognition and bias in current systems by PBS Frontline. (Link)  
AI Podcast: Tensor Operations for Machine Learning with Anima Anandkumar. (Link)  
Practical AI: Growing up to become a world-class AI expert. (Link)  
Deep learning demystified Podcast. Experian 2018. (Link)  
Deep learning that's easy to implement and easy to scale. O'Reilly podcast (Link)  
Tensors for large-scale ML. Strata 2015. (Link)  
O'Reilly Data Show Podcast: tensor decomposition techniques for machine learning. (Link)

### **In the News**

Stealing theorists lunch. CERN Courier. (Link)  
To Really Judge an AI's Smarts, Give it One of These IQ Tests. IEEE Spectrum.(Link)  
Latest Neural Nets Solve Worlds Hardest Equations Faster Than Ever Before. Quanta Magazine. (Link)  
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AI experts are calling on Amazon to stop selling facial recognition to law enforcement. (Link)  
In the Research Spotlight: Anima Anandkumar. Amazon AWS AI Blog. (Link)  
At Mars, Jeff Bezos Hosted Roboticists, Astronauts, Other Brainiacs and Me. (Link)  
AI Is The Future – But Where Are The Women? Wired Magazine.(Link)  
Teaching Machines How to Learn: An Interview with Animashree Anandkumar, Caltech, 2017. (Link)  
Flying ambulances, space robots and the ethics of artificial intelligence. KPCC. (Link)  
Robots Get Human-like Brains With Machine Learning and A.I. PBS reporter David Nazar. (Link)

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- [2] John Guibas, Morteza Mardani, Zongyi Li, Andrew Tao, Anima Anandkumar, and Bryan Catanzaro. Adaptive fourier neural operators: Efficient token mixers for transformers. In *Proc. of International Conference on Learning Representations*, 2022.
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