

Photonics for Enhancing Interactions with Free Electrons, and AI for Photonics

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Abstract— I will present two topics that have been of particular interest for my group over the past few years. The first topic deals with exploring nanophotonics techniques to enhance light emission from free electrons. The second topic deals with intersections of AI with physics: some opportunities for photonics due to AI, as well as some topics in interpretable AI.

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