## The Quest for Mathematical Understanding of **Deep Learning**

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## - Abstract

Deep learning has transformed Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in the past decade. It raises fundamental questions for mathematics and theory of computer science, since it relies upon solving large-scale nonconvex problems via gradient descent and its variants. This talk will be an introduction to mathematical questions raised by deep learning, and some partial understanding obtained in recent years.

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