

Kempner Institute

Timeline



For the Study of Natural & Artificial Intelligence



2021

DEC

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative announces \$500 million Kempner Institute foundational grant

Sham Kakade and Bernardo Sabatini announced as faculty co-directors of Kempner Institute

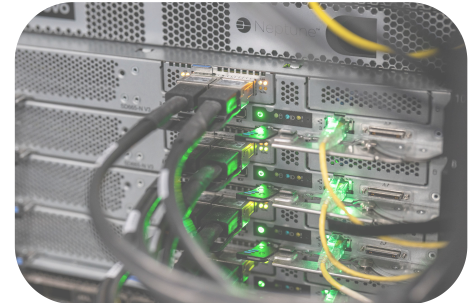


Priscilla Chan and Mark Zuckerberg at Kempner Institute launch event (left). Kempner co-directors Sham Kakade and Bernardo Sabatini (right).

Official launch of Kempner Institute

SEP

2022



A GPU node in the Kempner Institute AI Cluster. The cluster was launched in February 2023.

FEB

Launch of Kempner AI Cluster with 144 A100 GPUs

JUL

First Research Fellows, Graduate Fellows, and Associate Faculty begin appointments

SEP

Computational Neuroscientist Kanaka Rajan becomes founding Institute Investigator

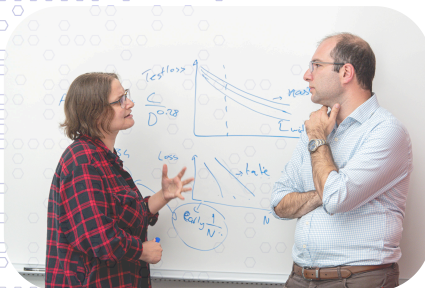
NOV

Kempner Institute launches the Deeper Learning blog

2023



Founding Institute Investigator Kanaka Rajan.



Research Fellow Naomi Saphra and Associate Faculty Cengiz Pehlevan at a Kempner Institute event.

KURE & KRANIUM undergraduate programs launch

JAN

Kempner SEC space opens

APR

Inaugural Spring into Science event

MAY

2024



Kempner space in Harvard Science and Engineering Complex.

2024



Post-Baccalaureate Scholar Maceo Richards at a Kempner Institute event.



Kempner Institute Investigator Kianté Brantley (right).

JUL

Kempner Institute welcomes its first class of Post-Baccalaureate Scholars

NOV

Computer Scientist Kianté Brantley joins as Kempner Institute Investigator

Kempner AI Cluster named one of world's fastest "Green" supercomputers in Green500 and TOP500

2025

JUN

Kempner launches Kempner Institute Accelerator Awards

JUL

Kempner Institute reaches 50+ Graduate Fellows

Computational Neuroscientist SueYeon Chung and Computer Scientist Yilun Du join as Kempner Institute Investigators

SEP

First International Visiting Scholars Yonatan Belinkov and Daphna Weinshall join Kempner



Kempner Institute Investigator SueYeon Chung at Spring into Science, May 2025.



Kempner Institute Investigator Yilun Du at Frontiers in NeuroAI Symposium, June 2025.

MAR

Kempner announces Expansion of Computing Cluster to 1,144 GPUs

JUL

Computational Physicist Michael Alberg and Computer Scientist Qianqian Wang join as Kempner Institute Investigators

2026



Kempner Institute AI Cluster at Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center (MGHPCC).