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Education

PhD Candidate in Computer Science, Duke University, Durham, NC Aug 2018 – present

- Focus on designing machine learning-based algorithms for noisy electron microscopy image analysis to resolve protein structure at high resolution

Bachelor of Science in Applied Math and Biomedical Engineering, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD Aug 2014 – May 2018

- With a focus in Probability and Statistics and Computational Biology; Computational Medicine minor
- Graduation with high honors and departmental honors; Major GPA 3.87

Professional Experience

Machine Learning Engineer Intern, Pinterest, Palo Alto, CA May 2022 – Aug 2022

- Designed machine learning algorithms that improve user identification by 5% and facilitate downstream advertisements targeting

Consultant, Archer, Durham, NC Sept 2021 – Dec 2021

- Performed in-depth research on multi-family housing market; analyzed 50 clients' interview notes and identified key factors that contributes to clients' property acquisition decisions
- Designed and implemented a client-property matching algorithm that outputs a list of potential properties that best aligns with clients' interests within seconds

Data Analyst Intern, Talbots, Boston, Massachusetts Jan 2018 – May 2018

- Analyzed customer data from past five years and built multiple predictive models for customer churn problem using machine learning and deep learning algorithms with over 90% accuracy. Models are adopted by the marketing team and in production
- Presented weekly to marketing and data team on progress updates and incorporated feedback to models

Operational Consultant, Johns Hopkins Medical Institution, Baltimore, Maryland May 2016 – May 2018

- Designed an integer programming-based optimization algorithm that created and organized work schedule for more than 20 people from Johns Hopkins Hospital OBGYN department in less than 30 seconds
- Extracted data from SQL and built a predictive model that output each patient's no-show probability based on basic information collected during appointment reservation with an accuracy of more than 85%. Implemented a new scheduling algorithm which maximizes daily revenue based on the no-show probabilities calculated by the predictive model using Python

Research Experience

Bartesaghi Lab at Duke University, Durham, NC Jan. 2020 –

- Constructed a weakly supervised-learning-based methods on cryo-EM dataset to achieve automatic image denoising and object segmentation/detection simultaneously under extremely low signal-to-noise ratio environment and significantly outperforms state of the art methods. Paper accepted to WACV
- Developed a contrastive learning-based particle detection method for 3D cryo-electron tomography data that enables fast and accurate particle identification within minutes and outperforms state-of-the-art methods by a significant margin. Paper accepted to ECCV. Full manuscript in submission to Nature Methods
- Automated data screening process for cryo-EM data collection using deep-learning based algorithms. Paper accepted to eLife
- Reviewer for Winter Conference in Computer Vision (WACV), Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention Society (MICCAI)

Extracurricular Experience

Duke-UNC-TMC National Case Competition Steering Committee, Duke University Nov 2022 –

- Spearheaded national case competition by collaborating with Texas Medical Center and the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill and recruited more than 120 participants across 30+ institutions
- Established long term sponsorships for the competition with 7 educational organizations and strategy consulting firms

IT Director for Chinese Consultants Consortium Oct 2022 –

- Front-end and back-end web development for the organization with 700+ active members
- Hosted roundtable discussion with 50+ participants on topics career development and exit opportunities for management consulting

Faculty Search Committee Head, Duke University Nov 2021 –

- Organized graduate student meeting with 20+ visitors and helped promote publicity of visitors' talks
- Collected and summarized feedback from faculty and students

Teaching Assistant, Duke University Aug 2020 – Dec 2020

- Received best teaching assistant award
- Gave lectures on deep learning applications in computer vision to 20 students; held office hours and designed weekly homework

Co-Owner of Autosport Racing Social Media Account May 2015 –

- Manages autosport racing with a focus on Formula 1 social media account on weibo with more than 700K followers
- Cooperates with ex-FOX Asia commentator to promote the new F1 post-race show and achieves an average per-video viewership of 50K

Design Team Member at Center for Bioengineering Innovation and Design, Johns Hopkins University March 2016 – May 2018

- Performed a deep market analysis on medication verification and adherence problems by conducting more than 300 of interviews with doctors and patients
- using swift3 and node.js which allows patients to connect with other similar patients and socially motivate each other in order to improve medication adherence; record verification data for physicians' use
- Finalist in JHU Business Plan Competition; paper accepted to Journal of mHealth

Skills

Microsoft Offices, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Python, R, Matlab, Java, SQL database, Swift, UNIX, Machine Learning