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EDUCATION

Pennsylvania State University

PhD in Information Sciences and Technology

Thesis: Reverse Turing Tests

State College, Pennsylvania August 2018 - Present

University of Maryland Baltimore County

B.S, Mathematics | Minor: Statistics

Honors: Cum Laude

Thesis: Numerical Simulation of Vibrations of Mechanical Structures

Baltimore, Maryland August 2014 - May 2018

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

McNair Scholar

Undergraduate Research Award Scholar Pi Mu Epsilon Mathematics Honors Society

Bunton-Waller Graduate Fellowship

Best Documentation at ATRC internship

Best Poster Presentation at ATRC internship

TTO Student Travel Scholarship

NSF SFS Scholarship

January 2016 - May 2018

March 2017 - May 2018

May 2017 - Present

August 2018 - Present August 2019

August 2019

October 2019

August 2020 - May 2023

SKILLS

Programming: Python, R, Matlab, Java, LaTeX, Maple

Applications: GitHub, GitLab, Tableau

Operating Systems: Linux, Windows, MacOS

PUBLICATIONS

- 2. Uchendu, A., Cao, J., Wang, Q., Luo, B., & Lee, D. "Characterizing Man-made vs. Machinemade Chatbot Dialogs," In Conf. on Truth and Trust Online (TTO), London, UK, October 2019
- 1. Shao, J., Uchendu, A., & Lee, D. (2019). "A Reverse Turing Test for Detecting Machine-Made Texts," In 11th Int'l ACM Web Science Conf. (WebSci), Boston, MA, July 2019

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Pennsylvania State University Research project: Reverse Turing Test

State College, Pennsylvania

August 2018 - Present

- Use nuanced NLP techniques to distinguish text-generators (i.e. Machine and Human).
- Worked on long and short texts.
- Generated texts with state-of-the-art Language Models.
- Currently working on other forms of Turing Tests like Authorship Attribution.

Autonomy Technology Research Center, Air Force Research Laboratory Virtual Research Assistant Intern May 2020 - October 2020

- Performed research and experiments in the field of Computer Vision
- Trained Neural Networks on benchmark image datasets

- Built models robust to white-box adversarial attacks
- Attacked models with strong white-box adversarial attacks

Autonomy Technology Research Center, Air Force Research Laboratory Dayton, Ohio Research Assistant Intern May 2019 - August 2019

- Performed research and experiments in the field of Computer Vision
- Trained Neural Network on Satelite dataset
- Attacked model with a black-box adversarial attack
- This research is under Distribution Statement C and so details have to be vague.

Federal Reserve Board Research Project

Washington, D.C.

May 2017 - August 2018

- Data preparation on Islamic and Commercial banks data
- Data analysis on data using Excel and R
- Examined financial growth of each bank
- Used correlation, regression and z-score tests to gain insights

University of Maryland Baltimore County Research Assistant

Baltimore, Maryland

February 2016 - May 2018

- Worked on research titled, "Numerical Simulation of Vibrations of Mechanical Structures"
- Ultimate goal is to mitigate the effects of earthquake on buildings during earthquakes
- Implemented derivations in Matlab
- Findings were reported as my Senior Thesis

WORK EXPERIENCES

Pennsylvania State University Graduate Assistantship

State College, Pennsylvania

January 2019 - May 2019

- Worked as a Teaching Assistant in a Security and Risk Analysis course.
- Assisted students on the use of Excel and R, graded and held office hours.

HACKATHONS
UMD Bitcamp

April 2017

- Built a chrome extension named, ProcrastinationStation with a team
- It re-routes its user to the Procrastination-Station website when Facebook is accessed.
- It works by providing a 30 second limit to answer 3 math questions
- The goal is to discourage facebook surfing while doing school work

HackUmbc

- Built an R Shiny dashboard named, Data Visualization.
- The dashboard takes in a csv file and plots a figure based on the selected column.

Math Lab Tutor

September 2015 - May 2018

- Tutored the following courses: Pre-calculus, calculus II, Calculus III, Calculus III, Linear Algebra, Differential Equations and College Algebra.
- Also, got Certified as a Level II tutor out of 3 level.

Math Learning Assistant (LA)

August 2016 - December 2016

- Assisted students in Pre-Calculus.
- Held weekly discussion sessions and Office hours.
- Presented the students with a weekly individual guiz and graded it.