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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Multi-connected adaptive agents to solve various complex problems using Reinforcement Learning. Using Deep Reinforcement Learning to close the gap between human learning vs. machine learning.

EDUCATION

North American University (NAU), Houston, Texas USA

Software Engineering Overall-GPA: 3.84 - Major-GPA: 3.96

B.S., Computer Science, 2015 - 2019

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Research Assistant

University of Houston

January, 2017 - Ongoing

- Supervisor: Dr. Ricardo Vilalta
- Creating a solution that can transfer the previous knowledge to solve new questions, optimization on explore/exploit dilemma for recurring queries.
- Using meta-learning to help reinforcement learning models to achieve adaptivity through environment.
- Using multi-layered deep reinforcement learning systems that are optimized using meta-learning.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor - Algorithms for ICPC

North American University

January 2018 - May 2018

- Taught basic to advanced algorithms, data structures, competitive programming basics, basic logic, math and coding to 12 students from freshman to senior using C++/Python, Git/Github. Prepared class curriculum, lesson plan, and homework assignments.
- Tools: C++, Python, Git, Github

Teaching Assistant

Momentum Learning

June 2017 - July 2017

- Co-taught basics of programming to 16 kids from years of age 10 to 18 using Java and Object Oriented programming.
- Tools: Java, Eclipse

PROJECTS

MLRPro - Machine Learning Resume Processor

April 2017

- Created a tool that evaluates the submitted resume, according to data that used to feed the machine learning algorithm behind the scene, and gives result that which level of companies given resume is qualified to apply. Worked with a team of 3.
- Tools: Python, Flask, HTML/CSS, Adobe Illustrator
- Repository: https://github.com/MichaelMMeskhi/MLRP

Open Source ACM-ICPC Preparation Curriculum

October-December 2015

- Created a curriculum to help preparation process of the international competition ACM-ICPC, to self study algorithms and data-structures and to get the underlying concepts of algorithms.
- The curriculum is currently ranked in top 20 most popular open source courses on Github (Article Link)

- Tools: C++, Java, C, Python, Git, Github
- Repository: https://github.com/NAU-ACM/ACM-ICPC-Preparation

Scholar Development Center

February 2016

Led, organized, and implemented a project that helped students achieve increased awareness for academic success, encouraged career readiness, and improved career opportunities through mentor program.

Honors and Awards

North American University: Exceptional Merit Scholarship, 2014-2019

North American University: President's Honor Roll, 2016-2018

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

• ACM NAU Chapter Chair, Vice Chair, Lab Leader, Senator	2015-Present
• Artificial Intelligence, ACM-ICPC, iOS Development, Member in ACM Labs 2	2015-Present
• NAU Communications Club, NAU Future Leaders Club, <i>Graphic Designer</i>	2015-2018
• HackNAU - 2017 — 60+ Attendees hosted, <i>Organizer & Director</i>	2017
\bullet Hack Houston 2017 Best Project Overall and Best Machine Learning Project, ${\bf 1}^{st}$	place 2017
• iHackathon — 30+ Attendees hosted, <i>Organizer & Director</i>	2016
• NAU - Moonlight CTF 1, Organizer & Co-Director	2016
• ACM-ICPC Regional Contest, 18 th place	2016

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Expert: Python, C++, Algorithms, UNIX, GitHub, Adobe Illustrator
- Advanced: C, R, Linux, Git, TensorFlow, Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, Java, LaTex, Swift, Flask, Xcode, HTML/CSS, Adobe Photoshop, PHP, ASP.NET

References

References available upon request