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# AREAS OF INTEREST

• Machine Learning • NLP • Weak/Semi Supervision in ML • Deep Learning

#### **EDUCATION**

M.S. CSE: The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio GPA: 3.795

Aug 2016 - May 2018(Expected)

Courses: Machine Learning, Speech and Language Processing, Computational Linguistics, Natural Language Question Answering, Text Analytics.

B.Tech IT: National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra, India. GPA:8.9

July 2010 - June 2014

# PUBLICATION/TUTORIALS

# Tutorial - A Convolutional Encoder Model for Neural Machine Translation

Dec 2017

NIPS Workshop - Learn How To Code A Paper With State Of The Art Frameworks

# OhioState at IJCNLP-2017 Task 4: Exploring Neural Architectures for Multilingual Customer Feedback Analysis Dec 2017

Proceedings of the 8th International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing, Shared Tasks

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# Graduate Research Assistant, The Ohio State University

Aug 2017 -

Adviser: Prof. Huan Sun

Currently exploring strategies to use noisy, distant supervision data to boost the performance of sentential relation extractors trained on manually labeled data only.

# Software Engineering Intern, AWS Deep Learning (Amazon AI)

May 2017 - Aug 2017

As part of the team that built Amazon Comprehend, I worked on the following tasks for deployment of an NLP service (currently not part of the Comprehend suite) on AWS Infrastructure:

- Performing extensive experiments using multiple machine learning models and datasets for the given task along with hyper-parameter optimization.
- Creating end to end Serverless application using various AWS services like Step Functions, Lambda, Elastic Container Service, etc.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Computer Programming in Java Responsibilities include:

Spring 2016

• Delivering lectures. • Conducting labs and office hours. • Grading assignments and projects.

# Research Assistant

Ubiquitous Knowledge Processing Lab, TU Darmstadt, Germany

Jan - June 2015

Adviser: Prof. Iryna Gurevych, Project: Automatic Timeline Generation of News Events

Worked on events and participants extraction from News Articles. Used a CRF Classifier along with several NLP based features (syntactic, semantic, word embeddings, etc.) to achieve the following F-1 scores :

 $\textit{Events} \bullet \text{ECB+ Corpus} - 73.02 \% \bullet \text{TimeBank Corpus} - 80.78\%$ .  $\textit{Participants} \bullet \text{ECB+ Corpus} - 56.51\%$ 

#### Research Associate Precog Research Group, IIIT-Delhi, India

July 2015 - April 2016

Worked on building a tool for predictive policing as part of a government-funded project. The work involved the Application of statistical techniques to build an interface for effective monitoring & visualization of crime patterns.

#### Software Engineer Search Team, Infoedge India Pvt. Ltd.

June-Dec 2014

- Successfully ported the Solr-based backend framework of 99acres.com to Solr Cloud.
- Created Scalable Logging Services to Log Search and Click Data of 99acres.com .

Software Engineering Intern, Samsung Research, New Delhi, India

June-July 2013

Freelance Software Engineer, FunnelMailApp

2014

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Java, Python, Matlab, Php, JavaScript, Scikit-Learn, Tensorflow, NLTK, DKPro, OpenCV, Hadoop, Solr

# **PROJECTS**

# Stance Detection (Fake News Challenge), Team Name: OSUfnc2017, Rank: 7/50

2017

We worked on creating a Random forest based Hierarchical classifier for detecting stance of a (body) text with respect to a news headline. We used a composition of statistical features (word co-occurrence based features & enriched them using semantic ontologies like Wordnet) & embedding based features (spatial similarity measures).

# BioNER (Research Project), Advisor: Prof. Huan Sun

2016

Worked on analyzing the performance of various existing tools on Community Health QA Dataset for the task of Named Entity Recognition in biomedical text with discontiguous entities.

# Civic Improvement Request Classification Challenge

May 2016

As part of the Living Progress - CrowdAnalytics - Haven OnDemand Prototype challenge on *Topcoder*, the HP Haven on Demand API was used to create a hierarchical classifier for the task of classifying user requests for civic improvements into predefined categories. The model was ranked 2nd.

# **Open Source Contribution**

2015

Integrated the Geodesic Object Proposals tool into CloudCV's Object Proposals library.