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EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

B.Tech in Electrical Engineering and M.Tech in Artificial Intelligence (Cumulative GPA: 9.68/10.0)

Mumbai, India Jul '19 – Jun '24 (Expected)

Lausanne, Switzerland

Sep '22 - Feb '23

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

Semester Exchange in Computer Science (Grade: 5.5/6)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Machine Learning: Representation Learning, Geometric Deep Learning, Explainable AI, Fair AI, Submodular Optimization **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. Eeshaan Jain, Indradyumna Roy, Abir De, Soumen Chakrabarti, "Maximum Common Subgraph Retrieval: Combinatorial and Neural Variants" in progress.
- 2. Eeshaan Jain, Tushar Nandy, Gaurav Aggarwal, Ashish V. Tendulkar, Rishabh K Iyer, Abir De, "Efficient Data Subset Selection to Generalize Training Across Models: Transductive and Inductive Networks", accepted for publication at the 37th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, 2023.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Neural Models for Maximum Common Subgraph based Graph Retrieval

Jul '23 - Ongoing

Dual Degree Project, Guide: Prof. Abir De, Prof. Soumen Chakrabarti

IIT Bombay

- Introduction: Searching for relevant graphs from a corpus has gained recent traction, with advances in designing neural graph retrieval models. However, they show suboptimal performance in MCS based retrieval, and moreover lack interpretability. We aim to design fast and trainable neural functions to approximate the MCS well.
- Designed combinatorial forms of the MCS problem allowing sequential adaptation to neural optimization
- Demonstrated the efficacy of the the approach by outperforming other methods in MSE and Kendall-Tau scores

Generalization Bounds and Explainability of Graph Neural Networks

May '23 - Ongoing

Research Assistant, Guide: Prof. Vikas Garg, Amauri H. Souza

Aalto University

- Introduction: Explainability of GNNs has been of considerable interest recently, however the extension to TGNs is still unexplored. Alongside, PAC-Bayesian and Rademacher bounds have been proposed for graph classification on GNNs, but the extension to link prediction is non-trivial. We aim to bridge the two and formulate theoretical quarantees of explainability.
- Derived stronger Rademacher generalizability bounds for node classification and link prediction for GNN explanations
- · Connected notions of robustness, generalizability and faithfulness of explanations with extensions to dynamic graphs

Learning to Select a Subset of Training Examples to Generalize Efficient Model Training

Bachelor's Thesis (with Google AI), Guide: Prof. Abir De, Prof. Rishabh Iyer (UT Dallas)

May '22 - May '23 IIT Bombay

- Introduction: Adaptive data subset selection methods are tailored for a szpecific neural architecture, and fail to generalize over other architectures. We propose SubselNet, an attention-based subset selection framework which generalizes over the architecture space and selects subsets for unseen architectures quickly.
- Introduced a GNN and attention-based model encoder for crude approximation of outputs over a set of architectures
- Relaxed the combinatorial optimization objective for subset selection on the novel trainable & differentiable selectors
- Demonstrated that our approach constantly **outperformed** other non-adaptive and adaptive subset selection approaches on various datasets and subset sizes in terms of accuracy, subset selection time and memory consumption
- Showed that our approach outperforms other methods in subset-based AutoML tasks such as NAS and HPO

Fairness Audits of Black Box Neural Networks

Jan '23 - May '23

RnD Project, Guide: Prof. Abir De

IIT Bombay

- ♦ Introduction: A fast adoption of Al-based methods across industries poses signficiant regulatory challenges. "Good" performing models may have biases resulting in performance difference between subpopulations. We work on querying and auditing unknown neural networks to approximate fairness profiles and disallow future fairness manipulations.
- Approximated fairness of blackbox models through near-optimal querying of data points under budget constraints
- Devised an RL-based algorithm to sample points through a VAE coupled with a Gaussian Process surrogate model
- Introduced a new fairness metric called **Disparity** bridging group and individual fairness notions, and formulated a disparity-minimization-based greedy optimization problem to minimize post-audit manipulation

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

 Awarded the Undergraduate Research Award for Bachelor Thesis in Electrical Engineering 	(2023)
 Awarded the Google Conference Scholarship and NeurIPS Scholar Award for attending NeurIPS 	(2023)
 Awarded the Institute Academic Prize for being the top 2 ranks in Electrical Engineering 	(2021 & 2022)
 Department Rank 1 out of 79 students in the Dual Degree Programme, Electrical Engineering 	(2020 – 2022)
 Awarded the AP Grade for outstanding performance in Partial Differential Equations and Quantum Chemistr 	ry (2021)
 Secured an All India Rank of 355 in JEE Advanced among 0.25 million candidates 	(2019)
 Secured an All India Rank of 120 in JEE Mains (Engineering) among 1.3 million candidates 	(2019)
 Ranked top 300 across India and appeared in the Indian National Chemistry and Astronomy Olympiads 	(2019)
 Ranked in the national top 1% in the National Standard Examination in Physics and Chemistry 	(2018)
• Secured an All India Rank of 100 and received the KVPY Fellowship by Department of Science and Technolog	gy (2018)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Junior Al Researcher May '22 - Jul '22

AWL, Inc. Japan: Core Artificial Intelligence Team

Sapporo, Japan

- ♦ Introduction: AWL, Inc. (in collaboration with Sony) is the market leader in Deep Learning-based video analytics in Japan
- Surveyed optimization frameworks based around model compression, quantized training and inference speed-up
- Implemented novel **hardware-optimized operations** and routines on CPUs using **Apache TVM** to bring down single-image inference times on low-power devices by **8**× without hurting the metrics of the outputs
- Utilized GPU-based TensorRT and DLA frameworks with CPU fallbacks to speed up batched inference on Jetson GPUs

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

Post-Hoc Out-of-Distribution Detection

Mar '22 - May '22

Guide: Prof. Sunita Sarawagi (CS 726: Advanced Machine Learning)

IIT Bombay

- Introduced a scoring function based on the assumption of a **Dirichlet distribution** on the DNN's softmax-ed logits for OOD detection and showed that it could be asymptotically interpreted as an **ensemble** of two positive scoring functions
- Showed that the score already **outperformed** other OOD methods on multiple datasets using **FPR95**, **AUROC** and **AUPR**
- Reduced the number of hyperparameters to tune by demonstrating the efficacy of marginless loss functions for the task

Efficient Matroid-constraint-based Submodular Maximization

Mar '22 - May '22

Guide: Prof. Ganesh Ramakrishnan (CS 769: Optimization for Machine Learning)

IIT Bombay

- Implemented the efficient **Continuous-Greedy** and **Accelerated Continuous-Greedy** algorithms in SUBMODLIB to maximize submodular functions under a matroid constraint with $(1 1/e \epsilon)$ guarantees
- Modified the **Pipage-Rounding** subroutine for **efficient translation** of fractional solutions to discrete subsets
- Implemented the Submodular Welfare Problem and, Separable and Generalized Assignment Problem

Sparse Estimation of Epidemic State using Graph Neural Networks

Sep '21 - Nov '21

Guide: Prof. Abir De (CS768: Learning with Graphs)

IIT Bombay

- Generated random and small-world networks using the Erdös-Rényi, Watts-Strogatz, and Barabási-Albert models
- Implemented the SIR contagion model, treating the epidemic as a CTMC, on our graphs to get a spatio-temporal dataset
- Performed **node classification** (S/I/R) using **GCNs** by monitoring only a **small subset** of nodes (15% 25%)

Stock Market Analysis and Price Prediction

Oct'21 - Nov'21

Course Project (DS203: Programming for Data Science) | Special Mention: Best Project

IIT Bombay

- Studied the performance of seven sectors of the Indian stock market during the first wave of COVID-19 from Feb-Jun '20
- Performed EDA on the NIFTY sectoral indices and compared them using various technical indicators such as RSI
- Compared performance of sequential neural architectures such as LSTMs and 1D CNNs to predict stock market prices

Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Detection and Mutation Prediction

Jan '21 - Apr '21

Guide: Prof. Amit Sethi (Rnd Project)

IIT Bombay

- Trained the Inception v3 network on whole-slide FFPE images obtained from The Cancer Genome Atlas Program and Tata Memorial Center to automatically classify the tissue sample into LUAD, LUSC or non-cancerous
- Obtained an AUC score of 0.97 on cancer classification comparable to the predictions obtained by pathologists
- Further trained the network to predict 6 most common mutated genes in LUAD obtaining a maximum AUC score of 0.84

Hyperloop Pod Subscale Design

Jan'20 - Dec'20

Team Hyperloop IITB

IIT Bombay

- Applied knowledge acquired on I2C and CAN communication protocols to the Hyperloop communication systems
- Qualified in the top 5 university teams internationally for the finals of the European Hyperloop Week (EHW 2021)

Autonomous Garbage Collecting Bot

Institute Summer Technical Project | Best Project Award

May'20 – Jul'20 IIT Bombay

- Designed an autonomous garbage collecting bot which can classify, detect, collect and segragate various types of trash
- Used **YOLO** for object detection, **ROS** for simulation, and designed a custom **palming action** gripper for easy collection

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Scala, C++, Julia, HTML, CSS, Javascript

Machine Learning: PyTorch, PyTorch-Geometric, NLTK, Scikit-Learn, OpenCV, TVM, TensorRT **Software**: Scilab, MATLAB, Quartus, Keil, Blender, Git, AutoCAD, SolidWorks, GNU Radio, Spice

Python Libraries: NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn, SciPy, Qiskit, SymPy, PyQt5, JAX, NetworkX, OpenCV

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistantships | IIT Bombay

Facilitating smooth course organization, grading papers, mentoring students, conducting tutorials and help sessions

• CS 768: Learning with Graphs, Prof. Abir De, Department of Computer Science

Fall 2023

- CS 769: Optimization for Machine Learning, Prof. Ganesh Ramakrishnan, Department of Computer Science Spring 2022
- MA 207: Partial Differential Equations, Prof. Amiya K Pani, Department of Mathematics

Fall 2021

• MA 108: Ordinary Differential Equations, Prof. Prachi Mahajan, Department of Mathematics

Spring 2020

• CH 107: Quantum Chemistry, Prof. Arindam Chowdhury, Department of Chemistry

Fall 2020

Python is Cool, Kids | Student-run Summer Course

 Conducted a summer course for Practical Python Programming, consisting of interactive live lectures and guided projects, with 1000+ enrollments

KEY COURSEWORK

Machine Learning: Programming for Data Science, Introduction to Machine Learning, Learning with Graphs, Foundations of Intelligent Learning Agents, Advanced Machine Learning, Optimization for Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing[†] **Electrical Engineering and Computer Science**: Probability and Random Processes, Signal Processing, Microprocessors, Electromagentic Waves, Communication Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Image Processing, Markov Chains, Operating Systems, Information Theory and Coding[†], Automatic Speech Processing[†], Functional Programming[†]
(†taken at EPFL)

Mathematics and Physics: Calculus, Linear Algebra, Partial Differential Equations, Complex Analysis, Quantum Physics

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Institute Student Mentor

May '23 - Ongoing

Institute Student Mentorship Program, IIT Bombay

- Responsible for guiding 12 freshmen focusing on their academic, holistic and overall development in the institute
 - Selected based on **overall performance** in a rigorous process comprising of interviews, SOP and peer reviews

Department Academic Mentor

May '23 - Ongoing

Department Academic Mentorship Program, IIT Bombay

- Responsible for mentoring 6 junior undergraduates to facilitate their smooth onboarding into the curriculum
- In-charge of the Department Academic Mentorship Program website and internship portal

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

· Represented IIT Bombay at Chemenigma hosted by IISc Bangalore, and stood first overall • Qualified the **LIMIT** exam hosted by ISI Bangalore, and selected for their camp on abstract mathematics **Achievements** • Completed all six levels of **Speed Arithmetic** under IPA, and **stood 2nd** in their national-level competition • Represented the school in multiple debate competitions and won the best speaker award twice • Acted as the **Lead Convener** of the Chemistry Club at IIT Bombay promoting the use of **AI in chemistry Volunteering** • Took **Python** sessions for 30+ undergraduates and graduates at IIT Bombay over the summer • Mentored a team of 4 freshmen on their project on Automated Indic Sign Language translation Mentorship Guided 20+ students on their summer reading project on Machine Learning and Graph Learning • Co-founded AISRG – the first student reading group on Artificial Intelligence at IIT Bombay • Elected Class Representative for the Electrical Engineering department for three consecutive years **Others** • Represented IIT Bombay at Inter-IIT Tech Meet for the high-preparation Machine Learning problem Successfully completed an year-long training in Chess under National Sports Organization • Acted in 1 movie, 5 television series and 40+ television advertisements as a child actor