Jacob Chmura

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EDUCATION

♦ University of Toronto

2017-2022

Honours B.Sc. w/High Distinction

CGPA: 3.96

· Double Degree: Computer Science Specialist & Mathematics Major

SELECTED CS COURSES: COMPUTER VISION(100%), PROBABILISTIC LEARNING(95%), NLP(96%), DEEP LEARNING(91%) SELECTED MATH COURSES: DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY (97%), MEASURE THEORY (95%), TOPOLOGY (93%), ANALYSIS (91%)

Research

- Optimal division of the genome into regions with cancer specific differences in mutation rates Young A, Chmura J, Park Y, Morris Q, Atwal G. Pac Symp Biocomput. 2020;25:274-285. PubMed PMID:
- Exploration for sparse MDP's: Maximizing information in learned latent spaces Chmura J, Burhani H, Shi X. (under review)

PATENTS

♦ System and Method: Multi-Objective RL For Personalized Client Execution

Azam M, Chmura J, Huang H, Yu Z. CA. Patent Application No. 3195081.

♦ Multi-Objective RL with Gradient Vaccine

Azam M, Chmura J, Huang H, Yu Z. CA. Patent Application No. 3198016.

Professional

EXPERIENCE | RBC Capital Markets, AI Lab

 $2022 ext{-}Present$

AI Engineer

- · Used off-policy learning and concentration inequalities to develop a new order routing policy.
- · Build order routing framework, integrated into RL system and deployed to production trading over \$200MM.
- · Researched compression-based self-supervised objectives that accelerate learning in sparse reward MDP's.
- \cdot Invented a market impact measure grounded in optimal transport theory that attributes information leakage on exchanges using Wasserstein distances.
- · Wrote a multi-threaded KDB tool that programmatically generates queries to market data gateways, unifying how datasets are generated, shared and validated across assets, models, and teams.
- · Worked on a low-latency, high-throughput service providing aggregated market features for inference.

♦ RBC Capital Markets, AI Lab

2020-2021

AI Engineer, Intern

- · Developed a novel multi-objective actor-critic extension to PPO that combines hindsight relabelling, gradient projections and vectorized bellman operators enabling few-shot adaptation to client preferences.
- · Engineered features and designed reward functions based on optimal execution econometrics research.
- · Performed rigorous simulation, testing and statistical evaluation preparing model for production.
- · Created a RL reading group, presented literature to broader teams on a bi-weekly basis.

♦ Vector Institute for Artificial Intelligence

2019-2020

Machine Learning Researcher

- \cdot Published an information-theoretic algorithm that reduces the number of mutations needed to discriminate cancer by finding genome segmentations that maximize mutual information with cancer type.
- · Investigated deep ensembles and gradient-based feature importance to better discriminate rare cancers.
- · Implemented monte-carlo dropout with a Kronecker-factored optimizer for cancer classification.

♦ Bibbit

Full Stack Engineer

August 2018

· Designed a website for reading and publishing, recommendation system for personalized feed.

Software Engineer, Intern

August 2017

· Performed verification and validation of edge-based vision system for disease classification.

SCHOLARSHIPS

& Awards

♦ 4x Deans List Scholar for Academic Excellence

2018-2022

University of Toronto

♦ 3x Recipient of Louis Savlov Scholarship for Sciences

2018-2020

University of Toronto

⋄ Ted Mossman Scholarship for Mathematics

2017 2019

University of Toronto

♦ Learning Feature Importance for a Deep Learning Cancer Classifier Undergraduate Summer Research Program

SELECTED

Talks

Projects

♦ Project X 2020: Undegraduate AI Research Competition

Research Team, University of Toronto AI. Organized open source datasets and summarized published AI research in infectious diseases.

- ♦ Position Based Fluid Simulation
- Morse Theory, Sard's Theorem, and Applications