




Joshua Feinglass

I'm a 5th year PhD student developing **generalizable** and **robust** models to ensure the deployment of safe and reliable AI systems.

I work in the [ASU APG](#) lab where I'm advised by Yezhou Yang. I previously interned at  Microsoft Research, where I developed novel datasets, machine learning models, and benchmarks for forecasting and analyzing cybersecurity incident escalation, and  Lawrence Livermore National Lab, where I developed a novel zero-shot deep learning architecture using image and natural language data sources.

I previously worked full-time as a Senior Digital Signal Processing Engineering at  General Dynamics where I designed algorithms for spectral decomposition, detection, characterization, and classification of communication and radar signals.

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 Curriculum Vitae (PDF)

 Github

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Education

Aug. 2019 — **Ph.D. in Computer Engineering w/ Machine Learning Specialization**

May 2024 Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Advisor: Yezhou Yang

Aug. 2016 — **M.S. in Computer Engineering w/ Machine Learning Specialization**

May 2018 Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

GPA: 3.93/4.00

Aug. 2012 — **B.S. in Electrical Engineering**

May. 2016 Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Barrett, the Honors College Graduate

Electrical Engineering Student Mentor

GPA: 3.85/4.00

Work and Research Experience

May 2023 — **Microsoft Research**, Redmond, WA

Aug. 2023 *Research Intern, Augmented Learning and Reasoning*

Mentor: Jack (Jay) Stokes, Scott Freitas

Developed novel datasets, machine learning models, and benchmarks for forecasting and analyzing cybersecurity incident escalation. Further explored potential implementation options and use cases to demonstrate feasibility and product impact, respectively.

- May 2022 — **Lawrence Livermore National Lab**, Livermore, CA
Dec. 2022 *Graduate Research Intern, Computing at LLNL*
Mentor: Jayaraman Thiagarajan, Rushil Anirudh, Jayram Thathachar
Developed a highly generalizable Zero-Shot Learning architecture with pre-trained vision pipelines, automated external knowledge retrieval from natural language sources, and model regularization techniques.
- May 2018 — **General Dynamics Mission Systems**, Scottsdale, AZ
Dec. 2019 *Senior Digital Signal Processing Engineer, Trusted Space Solutions*
Created specifications for the standard operation and packet-level communication of devices in an edge computing framework. Developed algorithms for detecting communication and radar signals of interest and estimating their time and frequency characteristics for downstream decoding, classification, and localization tasks. Automated and optimized the creation of data compression pipelines for efficient communication channels and downstream data visualization tasks based on project requirements.
- Jan. 2020 — **Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ
Present *PhD Researcher, Active Perception Group*
Mentor: Yezhou Yang
Exploring concepts like knowledge representation/extraction, model generalization/robustness, and inference consistency/evaluation in Natural Language and Image Processing applications. First author of a novel information theory based evaluation of captions for semantics and fluency presented in ACL 2021, outlier detection/uncertainty estimation using domain interpolation based sensitivity analysis presented as a spotlight presentation in the NeurIPS 2022 INTERPOLATE workshop, and an object detection work which introduces and addresses upstream and downstream task misalignment by computing object importance scores using semantic modeling and graph signal processing to be presented at WACV 2024.
- Jan. 2017 — **Arizona State University**, Tempe, AZ
Dec. 2017 *Master's Research Assistant, Image, Video, and Usability (IVU) Lab*
Mentor: Lina Karam
Built software frameworks using C, Python, OpenCV, Ada, and Matlab on a Linux platform for data acquisition and signal processing on the Soli radar device. Developed biometric and gesture detection/estimation algorithms using machine learning, sensor fusion, feature point tracking, beamforming, spectral analysis and pattern recognition algorithms on Photoplethysmographic (PPG) and Frequency-Modulated Continuous-Wave (FMCW) signal information.
- May 2016 — **Honeywell**, Phoenix, AZ
Aug. 2016 *Intern, Test Services*
Mentor: Craig Stevens, Bob Apodaca
Modified and updated PHP/HTML/CSS/JavaScript/Fusebox based web applications and tested any changes using a Debian VM. Created and restructured Perl scripts, Ladder Logic Programs (PLC), and other software programs used for Test Cell support. Implemented revisions to existing AutoCAD Electrical designs and developed a strain-gauge specimen box to fulfill the electrical and mechanical requirements of a work request from another department.
- May 2015 — **Honeywell**, Phoenix, AZ
Aug. 2015 *Intern, Test Services*
Mentor: Craig Stevens, Bob Apodaca
Modified and updated PHP/HTML/CSS/JavaScript/Fusebox based web applications and tested any changes using a Debian VM. Created and restructured Perl scripts, Ladder Logic Programs (PLC), and other software programs used for Test Cell support. Implemented revisions to existing AutoCAD Electrical designs and developed a strain-gauge specimen box to fulfill the electrical and mechanical requirements of a work request from another department.

Publications

Towards Addressing the Misalignment of Object Proposal Evaluation for Vision-Language Tasks via Semantic Grounding

Joshua Feinglass, Yezhou Yang

Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV). 2024.

[Project](#) [BibTeX](#)

Covariate Shift Detection via Domain Interpolation Sensitivity

Tejas Gokhale*, Joshua Feinglass*, Yezhou Yang

NeurIPS 2022 Workshop INTERPOLATE (NeurIPS Workshop). New Orleans, LA, 2022.

[Project](#) [BibTeX](#) * Authors contributed equally

SMURF: SeMantic and linguistic UndeRstanding Fusion for Caption Evaluation via Typicality Analysis

Joshua Feinglass, Yezhou Yang

Proceedings of the 58th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL). Online, 2021.

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Talks

Predicting the Evolution of Cybersecurity Incidents

Aug. 2023

Microsoft Research (Redmond)

Covariate Shift Detection via Domain Interpolation Sensitivity

Dec. 2022

NeurIPS 2022 Workshop INTERPOLATE

Recognizing Unseen Classes with Part-Whole Prototypes

Aug. 2022

Summer SLAM at Lawrence Livermore National Lab

Identifying Features of Out-of-Distribution Examples and their ties to Improved Evaluation of Generation Tasks

Apr. 2022

Cognition and Intelligence Lab at ASU

SMURF: SeMantic and linguistic UndeRstanding Fusion for Caption Evaluation via Typicality Analysis

Aug. 2021

ACL 2021