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Curriculum Vitae (PDF)

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

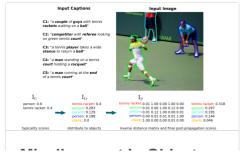
I work in the ASU APG lab where I'm advised by Yezhou Yang. I previously interned at Microsoft Research, where I developed novel datasets, machine learning models, and benchmarks for forecasting and analyzing cybersecurity incident escalation, and Lawrence Livermore National Lab, where I developed a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

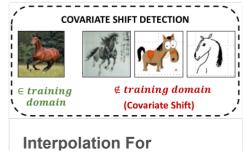
I previously worked full-time as a Senior Digital Signal Processing Engineering at GD General Dynamics where I designed algorithms for spectral decomposition, detection, characterization, and classification of communication and radar signals.

#### **News**

- Our Misalignment in Object Detection work was accepted into a WACV 2024.
- 2023 I joined **Microsoft Research** as a Research Intern.
- Our Covariate Shift Detection work was accepted into a **NeurIPS 2022 Workshop** as a **spotlight** presentation.
- 2022 I joined Lawrence Livermore National Lab as a Computing Scholar Intern.
- Our paper, SMURF, was accepted to **ACL 2021** as a competitively selected **oral** presentation.

### **Research Highlights**





# Misalignment In Object Detection

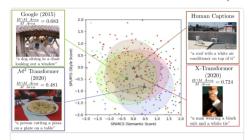
Introduces and addresses upstream and downstream task misalignment using semantic modeling and graph signal processing.

WACV 2024

#### **Covariate Shift Detection**

Covariate shift detection as a robustness benchmark as well as a proposed interpolation-based technique for improving covariate shift detection performance.

NeurIPS Workshop 2022



## SMURF: SeMantic And Linguistic UndeRstanding

Identifying and incorporating style in evaluation and refining the semantic representation of captions.

ACL 2021

### **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. Sole first author of a novel information theory based evaluation of captions for semantics and fluency presented in ACL 2021 (Oral). First author of two follow-on works which fundamentally redefine evaluation approaches in object detection and model generalization/robustness (an early draft of the robustness work will be presented in a NeurIPS 2022 workshop).

#### 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

Refined MySQL/PHP/HTML/CSS/JavaScript-based web applications for employee records and schedules.

May 2015 — **Honeywell**, Phoenix, AZ

Aug. 2015 Intern, Test Services

Mentor: Craig Stevens, Bob Apodaca

Updated software and hardware logic programs for automated engine tests.

### **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.

#### **Covariate Shift Detection via Domain Interpolation Sensitivity**

Tejas Gokhale\*, Joshua Feinglass\*, Yezhou Yang

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

# 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.