6.S191: Intro to Deep Learning

Course Description:

A week-long intro to deep learning methods with applications to machine translation, image recognition, game playing, image generation and more. A collaborative course incorporating labs in TensorFlow and peer brainstorming along with lectures. Course concludes with project proposals with feedback from staff and panel of industry sponsors.

The Team:

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Course schedule:

Jan 30th - Feb3rd. 5 Meetings. 3 hours each. 3 unit class.

10:30am-12:00pm: Lecture

12pm-12:30pm: Peer Brainstorming + Lunch

12:30pm-1:30pm: Lab

1. Course Intro + Deep Learning for NLP

- a. Lecture Part 1: Cover the Syllabus, State of Deep Learning in 2017
- b. Lecture Part 2: RNN, LSTM, Word2Vec, Neural Machine Translation
- c. Peer Brainstorming
- d. Lab: Intro to TensorFlow I: Language Modeling with LSTMs

2. Deep Learning for Computer Vision

- a. Lecture Part 1: CNNs for Classification
- b. Lecture Part 2: Autoencoders, VAE, GAN, InfoGAN
- c. Peer Brainstorming
- d. Lab: Intro to TensorFlow II: Image Classification with CNNs

3. Multimodal Problems / Reinforcement Learning

- a. Lecture Part 1: Image Captioning, VQA
- b. Lecture Part 2: Atari DQN, Learning Hand-Eye Coordination
- c. Peer Brainstorming
- d. **Lab:** Work time for paper reviews/project proposals

4. Deep Learning Applications In Industry

- a. Lecture Part 1: Guest Speaker TBD
- b. Lecture Part 2: Guest Speaker TBD
- c. Peer Brainstorming
- d. **Lab:** Work time for paper reviews/project proposals

5. Paper Review Slideshow / Project Proposal Presentations

Assignment: 1 Paper Review / Project Proposal Presentation

Students will be asked either to compose a paper review or present a novel deep learning research project proposal. Project proposals will be presented on the last day of class.