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#### **EDUCATION**

Doctor of Philosophy

Arizona State University • Computer Science (Machine Learning)

Aug 2017-Present • USA

CGPA: 4/4

Jadavpur University • Computer Science & Engineering (Computer Vision)

Aug 2013-July 2015 • India CGPA: 8.44/10

Bachelors

Aug 2009-July 2013 • India

West Bengal University of Technology • Computer Science & Engineering

CGPA: 8.6/10

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

• Rovicare - Machine Learning Intern

May-Aug 2022 • USA

• Automated the patient intake process by designing a cloud-based machine learning framework for extracting proprietary data from scanned records. Enhanced in-house efficiency by streamlining customer ticketing and contract systems.

• Interbiz - Machine Learning Intern

o Engineered a document parser for automated processing of scanned health/auto insurance claim forms, improving the turnaround time by a factor of 18. Devised a HIPAA-compliant cloud-based application for secure health-record access.

• NetXT Lab, Arizona State University - Research Assistant

Aug 2019-Present • USA

o Designed unsupervised adaptation frameworks to alleviate annotation overhead, achieving state-of-the-art accuracies. Developed a time-series pipeline to estimate future opioid incidents and optimal sites for medication-assisted treatment facilities. Leveraged language models to assess social media data's effectiveness in monitoring the opioid crisis.

• CMATER Lab, Jadavpur University - Junior Research Fellow

Aug 2015-Mar 2017 • India

o Developed a production-level breast cancer diagnostic system, overseeing requirements, data sourcing, and model architecture. Designed frameworks and authored publications on scene labeling, contour detection, and image segmentation.

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS & RELEVANT COURSEWORK

**Language:** Python, Java, C++, C, SQL, JavaScript, HTML + CSS

**Platform:** Google Cloud, Microsoft Azure

**Technology:** Docker, Apache Spark, Tableau, Matlab, Git, ClickUp **Library:** Pytorch, Keras, Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, Statsmodels, Apache Spark MLlib, Seaborn, Flask, D3.js Course: Machine Learning, Data Mining,

Deep Learning, Statistical Learning, Computer Vision, Natural Language Processing, Data Visualization

### Research Publications

Summary of works leveraging knowledge from a known dataset (source) to mitigate annotation costs on an unlabelled dataset (target), assuming the source has a broader category set than the target (Partial Domain Adaptation)

• Utilizing source prototypes and negative ensemble learning for target supervision

(Review) IEEE ICMLA, 2023

 $\circ$  Leveraging objectives beyond first-order moments for category-level distribution alignment (Accepted) IEEE ACSSC, 2023 • Aligning class distributions with complement entropy objective and adaptative target label refinement AIA Journal, 2023

• Coupling adversarial learning with selective voting for distribution alignment

AdvML@KDD, JCCE Journal, 2022

• Domain-invariant feature alignment using variational inference

IEEE ACSSC, 2022

• Adaptation using selective representation learning for class-weight computation

IEEE ACSSC, 2020

Summary of works identifying object positions (localization) and assigning semantic labels to every pixel (scene labeling)

• Pixel-level image segmentation and scene labeling using multi-scale super-pixel contextuality

Springer RMLDA, 2019

• A survey of object localization techniques on natural scenes

IJPRAI Journal, 2018

Summary of works detecting boundaries between objects at individual pixel resolution (contour detection)

• A metric-based approach using particle swarm optimization

Springer FICTA, 2017

• A segmentation-based approach leveraging multi-cue information from super-pixel masks

IEEE ICACCI, 2016

Other works

o Optimal cost network design for bounded delay data transfer from PMU to control center • Structural dependency-aware service chain mapping for network function virtualization

IEEE GLOBECOM, 2021

• User satisfaction-driven bandwidth allocation for image transmission in a crowded environment

IEEE DRCN, 2020 MMTC Journal, 2018

o Identification of at-risk groups for opioid addiction through web data analysis

 $epiDAMIK@KDD,\ 2018$ 

## AWARDS & SERVICES

Doctoral Fellowship Award for "strong academic work and research progress" • Arizona State University

2021-2023

Web chair • INFOCOM workshop on Network Science for Quantum Communication Networks (NETSCIQCOM) 2022, 2023

Ph.D. Conference Travel Award • Arizona State University

2020, 2022, 2023

Research award reviewer for the Graduate Grants Program • Arizona State University

2020-2023

Reviewer for IEEE journals and conferences

2018-2023

Co-authored and secured NSF and AHCCCS grants for combating drug trafficking and Arizona's opioid crisis 2019. 2021

Top 0.5% among 0.25M candidates • Indian Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) for Computer Science

2013

#### OTHER PROJECTS

#### • Domain Adaptation in Unconstrained Label-Space

Proposed a framework for unsupervised target classification under universal adaptation  $\rightarrow$  Conditional distribution alignment achieved by coupling source prototypes and reciprocal points, with an iterative category-importance estimator for *intra* and *inter* class distance optimization  $\rightarrow$  Bagged highest accuracies across benchmark models on *Office-31*, *Office-home*, *VISDA2017*, and *ImageNet-Caltech* datasets.

#### • DNN Visualization Using Knowledge Distillation

Designed a visualization framework to interpret the functioning of a deep-neural network  $\rightarrow$  Utilized variational autoencoder to generate neighbors around data instances and trained a linear network to probe and replicate the complex network's behavior on the generated samples using knowledge distillation  $\rightarrow$  Examined platform's efficacy using ResNet and VGG models on MNIST and SVHN datasets.

#### • Time-Series Forecasting on Opioid Data

Formulated a pipeline for estimating the geospatial distribution of future opioid occurrences, leveraging time-series analysis on Arizona Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and demographic data  $\rightarrow$  Tasks involved time-series decomposition, stationarity and seasonality testing, estimating series forecastability through running *Granger causality tests*, and developing forecasting models using ARIMA, SARIMA, RNN and uni/bi-directional LSTM.

#### • Colonoscopic Image Segmentation

Proposed a method to bypass the necessity for constant monitoring during optical colonoscopy  $\rightarrow$  Polyp regions estimated from informative frames (informativeness determined with supervision) using an iterative entropy-based clustering policy and a deep-siamese network trained on contrastive loss  $\rightarrow$  A 6% improvement in mean Intersection Over Union (mIOU) witnessed over the benchmark UNet, on a real-world Mayo-Clinic dataset.

#### • Natural Scene Labelling

Designed a multi-scale solution to capturing context information for scene labeling  $\rightarrow$  map super-pixel groups at different neighborhood scales to object labels using deep classifiers. A consensus-labeling strategy employed on the output probabilities through multiple voting routines  $\rightarrow$  Outperformed state-of-the-art super-pixel-based methods on *Stanford B*. dataset.

#### Contour Detection on Natural Scenes

Developed a game-theoretic, multi-scale contour detection approach, treating texture and color-based feature extraction as players in a two-player game  $\rightarrow$  A mixed strategy Nash Equilibrium is searched across various extraction scales, aiming to minimize spurious edges and highlight salient contours  $\rightarrow$  Secured the second position (average precision of 0.67 with a peak recall of 0.91), on the BSDS-500 dataset, next only to the state-of-the-art hierarchical image segmentation model.

#### • Activity Recognition using Myo Gesture Control Armband

Acquired gesture data over two continuous days from four students wearing sensor bands, with eating durations logged  $\rightarrow$  Utilized classical machine learning and deep learning methodologies to discern between eating and non-eating behaviors with a 94.76% accuracy, leveraging features from the *Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU)* and *Electromyography (EMG)* data.

#### GRADUATE TEACHING

Arizona State University

• CSE 110 - Introduction to programming

2017

CSE 205 - Object Oriented Programming and Data Structures

2018

• CSE 551 - Foundation of Algorithms

2017-2020

• CSE 572 - Data Mining

2019, 2023