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EDUCATION

PHD | COMPUTER SCIENCE

Dissertation: "Domain Adaptation in Unconstrained Label Spaces."
Arizona State University

USA | Aug 2017 - Summer 2023 [tentative]

CGPA: 4/4

MASTERS | COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Thesis: "A Quality-Concordance Measure-Based Approach to Edge Detection."
Jadavpur University

India | Aug 2013 - Jul 2015

CGPA: 8.44/10

BACHELORS | COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

West Bengal University of Technology

India | Aug 2009 - Jul 2013

CGPA: 8.60/10

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ROVICARE | MACHINE LEARNING INTERN

USA | May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Leveraged **Azure Form-Recognizer** and **image-processing** routines to develop a framework for seamless extraction of requisite entities from scanned patient intake forms with **92%** accuracy, expediting the decision-making process for patient intake by **64%**.
- Engineered a word localizer module using **Azure Cognitive Service** to render scanned patient files searchable for keywords.
- Streamlined **HubSpot** operations for enhancing in-house productivity: built ticketing system add-ons to analyze support requests for actionable insights, automated contract filling through **PandaDoc** integration, and created workflows in deal pipelines.
- Deployed machine learning models as **Python RESTful APIs** on the **Azure App Services** with **Docker** runtime.

INTERBIZ | MACHINE LEARNING INTERN

USA | May 2021 - Aug 2021

- Developed a document-parser for batch-processing poorly-digitized health insurance forms with **Google Cloud Vision API** and **region-proposal networks** with an extraction accuracy of **96%**, translating to an improvement in the turnaround time by **72%**.
- Reduced the processing time for auto insurance collision claims by **49%** by developing estimate identifier and form-processor models for the scanned estimates, using **Google Document AI**, **Google Cloud Vision API**, and **deep-siamese networks**.
- Built a **Google Cloud Web Application** with **OAuth 2.0 framework** authentication (conforming to HIPAA security and privacy standards) for secured access to healthcare documents from Google Drive and Google Cloud Storage.

NETXT LAB | RESEARCH ASSISTANT

USA | Aug 2019 - Present

- Addressed the data annotation overhead by proposing **transfer-learning frameworks** with realistic label-set overlap assumptions; achieved the highest accuracy in **67%** of the adaption challenges against state-of-the-art models on benchmark datasets.
- Build a pipeline for forecasting opioid overdose incidence volumes and strategically determining optimal locations, to aid the AHCCCS¹ personnel in setting up MAT² facilities under budgetary constraints; an initiative to **combat the state's opioid crisis**.
- Evaluated the effectiveness of Twitter data to monitor the opioid crisis through characterization using **RoBERTa** language model.

CMATER LAB | JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOW

India | Aug 2015 - Mar 2017

- Technical lead in a production-level **Breast Cancer Diagnostic System** development program on Fine-Needle Aspiration Cytology images. Duties involved conducting research and evaluation, mentoring the development team, communicating with the expert groups at diagnostic units for requirements gathering, data acquisition, and configuring access controls.
- Conducted exploratory analysis on challenges of **Object Localization**, **Contour Detection**, and **Image Segmentation**. Addressed them by proposing novel machine-learning frameworks for RGB and near-infrared image datasets and publishing findings.

COURSEWORK & SKILLS

COURSE ³	Deep Learning • Machine Learning • Statistical Learning • Computer Vision • Data Mining • Data Visualization
RESEARCH	Domain Adaptation • Time-Series Analysis • Object Localization • Contour Detection • Image Segmentation
PLATFORM	Google Cloud Platform (GCP) • Microsoft Azure
LANGUAGE	Python • Java • C++ • C • SQL • JavaScript • HTML • CSS
TECHNOLOGY	Docker • Apache Spark • Tableau • Matlab • Git • ClickUp
LIBRARY	Pytorch • Keras • Pandas • Scikit-learn • OpenCV • NumPy • Apache Spark MLlib • Seaborn • Flask • D3.js

¹ AHCCCS: Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System ² MAT: Medically Assisted Treatment ³ Selected graduate AI courses

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS

PYTHON, STATSMODELS, PANDAS, SCIKIT-LEARN, SEABORN, TABLEAU

Developed a pipeline for predicting opioid overdose incidence volumes in a future time frame using time-series analysis and forecasting over *Arizona EMS data*, *opioid overdose records* and *demographic* information. Tasks involved time-series decomposition, stationarity testing using *unit-root tests*, transforming the time series to stationary, testing for seasonality, addressing missing values, computing partial autocorrelation and estimating the series forecastability, running *Granger Causality tests* to gauge the effectiveness of the time series in forecasting another, and developing forecasting models using *ARIMA*, *SARIMA*, *SARIMAX*, *VARMA*, and *VARMAX*.

DEEPVID++

PYTHON, KERAS, FLASK, D3, JAVASCRIPT, KNOWLEDGE DISTILLATION

The reliability of a deep-learning model is majorly dependent on the interpretability of its internal operations. Citing this, the *DeepVID* framework is improved to train a basic network using a complex deep-neural model such that its behavior is visually interpretable. This is accomplished by utilizing *variational information* to generate neighbors around data instances and training a linear network to replicate the complex network's behavior on the generated samples through *knowledge distillation*.

DOMAIN ADAPTATION FRAMEWORKS

PYTHON, PYTORCH, KERAS, ADVERSARIAL LEARNING

Developed frameworks for cross-domain image translation, data augmentation and classification tasks under a domain adaptation setup, with *constrained* and *unconstrained* label-space assumptions between the source and target domains (*closed-set*, *partial* and *open-set* scenarios); built adaptation models for scenarios where access to source data is prohibited during the adaptation process (*source-free* scenario).

OBJECT LOCALIZATION

PYTHON, KERAS, OPENCV, MATLAB, COMPUTER VISION

Formulated an approach for object localization and semantic image segmentation in natural scenes, using image *super-pixelization* and *deep supervised classification*. Context-based information is captured through patches formed by the first and second neighbor super-pixels (atomic units of an image formed by a perceptual grouping of pixels). These are then mapped to the corresponding object labels using deep classifier networks. A consensus-based labeling strategy is subsequently employed by ensembling the output probabilities at different scales through multiple voting routines.

IMAGE SEGMENTATION

PYTHON, PYTORCH, OPEN-CV, BIO-MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING

Developed a framework for polyp segmentation in optical colonoscopic video sequences by coupling *deep-siamese networks* with a clustering policy using *balanced entropy-based random walks* to identify informative frames and segment out existing polyps (precursors to colon cancer).

SEMANTIC CONTOUR DETECTION

PYTHON, KERAS, C++, OPENCV, GAME THEORY, COMPUTER VISION

A multi-scale feature-based contour detection approach is presented here from a game-theoretic standpoint. A mixed strategy Nash Equilibrium is searched in a two-player game (*texture* and *color*-based feature extractors acting as players, with strategies involving *extraction at different scales*). The objective centers around finding a weighted balance of these strategies to minimize the false positives (highlighting spurious edges) and false negatives (missing salient contours).

PUBLICATIONS

ASILOMAR 2022	Domain-Invariant Feature Alignment Using Variational Inference For Partial Domain Adaptation S.Choudhuri, S. Adeniye, H Venkateswara, A.Sen (accepted)
ADVML@KDD 2022	Coupling Adversarial Learning with Selective Voting Strategy for Distribution Alignment in Partial Domain Adaptation S.Choudhuri, H Venkateswara, A. Sen
GLOBECOM 2021	Optimal Cost Network Design for Bounded Delay Data Transfer from PMU to Control Center A. Sen, S. Roy, K. Basu, S. Adeniye, S. Choudhuri, A. Pal
DRCN 2020	Structural Dependency Aware Service Chain Mapping for Network Function Virtualization A Sen, S Choudhuri, K Basu
ASILOMAR 2020	Partial Domain Adaptation Using Selective Representation Learning For Class-Weight Computation S.Choudhuri*, R. Paul*, A.Sen, B.Li, H Venkateswara
RDMLDA 2019	Combining Multilevel Contexts of Superpixel using Convolutional Neural Networks to Perform Natural Scene Labeling A Das, S Ghosh, R Sarkhel, S Choudhuri, N Das, M Nasipuri
EPIDAMIK@KDD 2018	Identification of At-Risk Groups for Opioid Addiction Through Web Data Analysis K Basu, S Choudhuri, A Sen, A Majumdar, D Dey

MMTC 2018	User Satisfaction-Driven Bandwidth Allocation for Image Transmission in a Crowded Environment S Choudhuri, K Basu, A Sen
IJPRAI 2018	Object Localization on Natural Scenes: A Survey S Choudhuri, N Das, R Sarkhel, M Nasipuri
FICTA 2017	A Quality-Concordance Metric Based Contour Detection by Utilizing Composite-Cue Information and Particle Swarm Optimisation S Choudhuri, N Das, M Nasipuri
ICACCI 2016	A Multi-Cue Information Based Approach to Contour Detection by Utilizing Superpixel Segmentation S Choudhuri, N Das, S Ghosh, M Nasipuri

TEACHING

Foundation of Algorithms (TA¹, Spring & Fall 2018-2021) • Data Mining (TA¹, Fall 2019) • Object-Oriented Programming and Data Structures (TA¹, Fall 2017 & Spring 2018) • Principles of Programming (TA¹, Fall 2017)

AWARDS & SERVICES

- Recipient of the **Engineering Graduate Fellowship** for “*strong academic work and research progress.*”
- Recipient of **SCAI Ph.D. Conference Fellowships**.
- Served as the **Web chair** for the *International Workshop on Network Science for Quantum Communication Networks, 2022 (NETSCIQ-COM - INFOCOM)*. Duties included designing, updating, and stress-testing the conference website, managing submissions, providing tech support, and reviewing workshop live streams.
- **Co-wrote research grants** and was awarded **AHCCCS Grant** for the *Arizona State Opioid Response Data Project*.
- **Teaching and Research Awards reviewer** for the *Graduate & Professional Student Association* at Arizona State University.
- **Top 0.5%** of 0.25 million applicants who took the *Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE)-2013* in Computer Science (conducted by the Indian Ministry of Human Resource Department).

¹ TA: Teaching Assistant