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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 accuracies in **67%** of the adaption challenges against state-of-the-art models on benchmark datasets.
- Designed a time-series pipeline for jointly estimating the **geospatial distribution of future opioid overdose incidences** and **optimal sites** to establish MAT¹ facilities under budgetary constraints; an AHCCCS² 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 **Contour Detection**, **Image Segmentation**, and **Scene Labelling**. 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	Unsupervised Domain Adaptation • Contour Detection • Scene Labelling • 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 MAT: Medically Assisted Treatment ² AHCCCS: Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System ³ Selected graduate AI courses

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

UNSUPERVISED DOMAIN ADAPTATION

PYTHON, PYTORCH, KERAS, ADVERSARIAL LEARNING

Proposed a framework for target classification under a partial domain adaptation setup → Conditional distribution alignment is achieved with domain invariance by coupling *domain-adversarial neural network* with *intra* and *inter* class distance optimization. Category overlap estimated using an iterative consensus strategy with highly confident target predictions → Bagged the highest average accuracy scores across benchmark models on *Office-31*, *Office-home*, *VISDA2017*, and *ImageNet-Caltech* datasets.

TIME-SERIES ANALYSIS

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

Developed a pipeline for estimating geospatial distribution of future opioid incidences using time-series analysis on *Arizona EMS* and *demographic* data → Tasks involved time-series decomposition, stationarity testing using *unit-root tests*, testing for seasonality, addressing missing values, 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*, *RNN* and *uni/bi-directional LSTM*.

DNN INTERPRETATION

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

Designed a visualization framework to interpret the functioning of a deep-neural network → 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* → Examined platform's efficacy using *ResNet* and *VGG* models on *MNIST* and *SVHN* datasets.

POLYP SEGMENTATION

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

Proposed a method to bypass the necessity for constant attention during optical colonoscopy monitoring → 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 → A 2% improvement in *mIOU*¹ witnessed over the benchmark *UNet* on a real-world dataset.

SCENE LABELLING

PYTHON, KERAS, OPENCV, MATLAB, COMPUTER VISION

Outlined a multi-scale solution to capturing context information for scene labelling → *Super-pixel* groups at different neighborhood scales mapped to corresponding object labels using deep classifiers. A *consensus-labeling strategy* employed by ensembling the output probabilities through multiple voting routines → Outperformed *state-of-the-art super-pixel-based methods* on *Stanford B* dataset.

SEMANTIC CONTOUR DETECTION

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

Formulated a game-theoretic approach to contour detection that minimizes occurrences of non-*object boundary edges* → *Mixed strategy Nash Equilibrium* searched in a two-player game (*texture* and *color*-based feature extractors), with strategies involving *extraction at multiple scales* → Bagged the highest *mAP*² (*2nd-highest recall*) among feature-based approaches on *BSDS 300* and *500* datasets.

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

¹ mIOU: mean Intersection Over Union ² mAP: mean Average Precision

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