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RESEARCH INTERESTS: Sequence Modeling, Recurrent Neural Networks, Reinforcement Learning, NLP.

EDUCATION

Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA

Ph.D., Data Science

2021

Advisors: Elke Rundensteiner, Xiangnan Kong

Earned MS in 2018

SUNY Geneseo, Geneseo, NY

B.A., Applied Mathematics

2016

BioMathematics minor

Advisors: Chris Leary, Kirk Anne

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. *Adaptive-Halting Policy Network for Early Classification.*
Thomas Hartvigsen, Cansu Sen, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner.
ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD), 2019.
2. *Comparing General and Locally-Learned Word Embeddings for Clinical Text Mining.*
Jidapa Thadajarassiri, Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner.
IEEE International Conference on Biomedical and Health Informatics (BHI), 2019.
3. *Early Diagnosis Prediction with Recurrent Neural Networks.*
Daniel Johnston, Liubou Klindziuk, Lolita Nazarov, Elke Rundensteiner, **Thomas Hartvigsen**.
MIT Undergraduate Research Technology Conference (IEEE MIT URTC), 2019.
4. *Detecting MRSA Infections by Fusing Structured and Unstructured Electronic Health Record Data.*
Thomas Hartvigsen, Cansu Sen, Elke Rundensteiner.
Communications in Computer and Information Science, 2018.
5. *Early Prediction of MRSA Infections using Electronic Health Records.*
Thomas Hartvigsen, Cansu Sen, Sarah Brownell, Erin Teeple, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner.
International Conference on Health Informatics (HEALTHINF), 2018. Short-listed for Best Student Paper.
6. *Handling Missing Values in Multivariate Time Series Classification.*
Julia Friend, Alec Hauck, Sruthi Kurada, Cansu Sen, Elke Rundensteiner, **Thomas Hartvigsen**.
MIT Undergraduate Research Technology Conference (IEEE MIT URTC), 2018.
7. *CREST - Risk Prediction for Clostridium Difficile Infection Using Multimodal Data Mining.*
Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Kajal Claypool, Elke Rundensteiner.
European Conference on Machine Learning and Principles and Practice of Knowledge Discovery in Databases (ECML/PKDD), 2017.

MANUSCRIPTS

1. *Reducing Computation in Recurrent Networks by Selectively Updating State Neurons.*
Thomas Hartvigsen, Cansu Sen, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)
2. *Predicting Hospital-Acquired Clostridium Difficile Infection Using Electronic Health Record Information.*
Erin Teeple, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Cansu Sen, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)

3. *Patient-Level Classification of Clinical Note Sequences Guided by Hierarchical Attention.*
Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)
4. *Learning Temporal Relevance in Longitudinal Medical Notes.*
Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)
5. *Human Attention Maps for Text Classification: Do Humans and Neural Networks Focus on the Same Words?*
Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Biao Yin, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)
6. *Similarity-Preserving Meta-Embedding.*
Jidapa Thadajarassiri, Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)

EXPERIENCE

Research Fellow , WPI, advised by Prof. Elke Rundensteiner	2016 - 2021
Machine Learning Research Intern , UMass Med. School, with Dr. Jomol Matthew	2018 - 2019
NSF REU Intern , University of Arizona, advised by Prof. Shirley Papuga	Summer of 2015
Research Assistant , SUNY Geneseo, with Prof. Chris Leary	2014 - 2016

SELECTED AWARDS

IMA Travel Grant , Institute for Mathematics and its Applications, U. of Minn.	2019
KDD 2019 Student Travel Grant , NSF and ACM	2019
Graduate Student Travel Grant , WPI	2019
Best Poster , Graduate Research Innovation and Exchange, WPI	2019
People's Choice Poster Award , Graduate Research Innovation and Exchange, WPI	2018
Graduate Student Travel Grant , WPI	2018
People's Choice Poster Award , Graduate Research Innovation and Exchange, WPI	2017
Graduate Student Travel Grant , WPI	2017
GAANN Ph.D. Fellowship , U.S. Department of Education	2016-2021

TEACHING

NSF REU primary mentor , WPI.	Summers of 2017-19
<i>Students</i> : Y. Klindziuk, D. Johnston, L. Nazarov, J. Friend, A. Hauck, S. Kurada, S. Brownell, S. Tocci.	
<i>Outcomes</i> : One paper per summer.	
Teaching Assistant , SUNY Geneseo, Modeling Bio. Systems (2x) and BioStats (1x).	2015-2016
Modeling Biological Systems , SUNY Geneseo	2016
<i>Guest lecturer</i> : taught Percolation Models, created and led in-class exercise in R.	

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python, R, L^AT_EX, SQL.
Frameworks: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn, NumPy.