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INTERESTS: Machine Learning, Recurrent Networks, Early Classification, Time Series, Multi-label Classification.

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

EXPERIENCE

GAANN PhD Fellow, *Worcester Polytechnic Institute*

2016-2021

Studying and developing recurrent models for a variety of challenging sequence classification tasks.

Supervisor: Elke Rundensteiner

Machine Learning Research Intern, *University of Massachusetts Medical School*

2018 - 2019

Worked on auto-summarization of clinical trial eligibility criteria for recommendation in new trials.

Supervisor: Jomol Matthew

NSF REU Intern, *University of Arizona*

Summer 2015

Built an image-segmentation model to process remote images to understand effects of drought on creosote bushes over time.

Supervisor: Shirley Papuga

Research Assistant, *SUNY Geneseo*

2014 - 2016

Modeled infection spread on graphs, built a graph dataset from IMDB, mined song lyrics for text features useful for discriminating genres and artists.

Supervisor: Chris Leary

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. *Patient-Level Classification of Clinical Note Sequences Guided by Attributed Hierarchical Attention*.
Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner.
IEEE International Conference on Big Data (**BigData**), 2019.
2. *Learning Temporal Relevance in Longitudinal Medical Notes*.
Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner.
IEEE International Conference on Big Data (**BigData**), Special Session on Intelligent Data Mining, 2019.
3. *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.
4. *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.

5. *Early Diagnosis Prediction with Recurrent Neural Networks*.
Daniel Johnston*, Liubou Klindziuk*, Lolita Nazarov*, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Elke Rundensteiner.
IEEE MIT Undergraduate Research Technology Conference (**URTC**), 2019. **Best paper runner up**.
6. *Detecting MRSA Infections by Fusing Structured and Unstructured Electronic Health Record Data*.
Thomas Hartvigsen, Cansu Sen, Elke Rundensteiner.
Communications in Computer and Information Science (**CCIS**) 1024, 2018.
7. *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.
8. *Handling Missing Values in Multivariate Time Series Classification*.
Julia Friend*, Alec Hauck*, Sruthi Kurada*, Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Elke Rundensteiner.
IEEE MIT Undergraduate Research Technology Conference (**URTC**), 2018.
9. *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**), 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. *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)
4. *Similarity-Preserving Meta-Embedding*.
Jidapa Thadajarassiri, Cansu Sen, **Thomas Hartvigsen**, Xiangnan Kong, Elke Rundensteiner. (Forthcoming)

*Undergraduate student under my advisement.

SELECTED AWARDS

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| Graduate Student Travel Grant, WPI | 2020 |
| Best Paper Runner Up, IEEE/MIT URTC. | 2019 |
| 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

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| 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.