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#### **EDUCATION**

### Khoury College of Computer Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

May 2021

Candidate for Master of Science in Computer Science: GPA: 4.0/4.0

Related Courses: Program Design Paradigm, Foundations of Artificial Intelligence

#### University of Mumbai, Mumbai, India

May 2018

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Engineering: GPA: 3.63/4.0

Related Courses: Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Data Warehousing & Mining, Algorithms, Data Structures, Object Oriented Programming Methodology, Structured Programming Approach, Distributed Databases

#### **PUBLICATION**

 Ahmad Alsahaf, Nicolai Petkov, Vikram Shenoy, George Azzopardi (2019), FeatBoost: Feature selection through boosting, Manuscript submitted to Pattern Recognition Journal

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **University of Groningen**

August 2018 – October 2018

Machine Learning Research Intern

- Performed an extensive analysis of proposed feature selection algorithm as compared to existing feature selection methods such as Fisher Score, Generalized Matrix Learning Vector Quantization (GMLVQ), ReliefF and Boruta
- Researched and devised a new weighting scheme using Python resulting in considerable improvement in algorithm's performance
- · Gained extensive knowledge about ensemble methods such as Random Forests, AdaBoost, and XGBoost

Vroom Cars February 2017 – August 2017

Software Engineering Intern

- Researched On-board Diagnostics Parameter IDs (OBD II PIDS) for different types of vehicles
- Developed software with Python, SQL, and Plotly to transform raw data from various vehicles into multiple graphs hosted on a temporary website coded through PHP, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript
- Decreased cost to company by creating more than 50 subplots on a single graph utilizing one API call

### ACADEMIC PROJECTS

# Naïve Background Style Transfer (Keras and TensorFlow)

December 2019

- Created a binary mask for input image which segments foreground from background using Google's DeepLabv3+ pre-trained model
- Performed style transfer using generated mask for guiding stylized pixels onto background of content image to form an image filter

# Understanding Capsule Networks (PyTorch and Google Colab)

August 2019

- Built a Capsule Network and implemented dynamic routing algorithm functioning as a forward pass for entire network
- Achieved a final accuracy of 99.91% on training set and an accuracy of 98.80% on test set of MNIST dataset
- Gained a deeper understanding of state of features captured by 16-dimensional vector of Digit Capsule Layer

## Music Recommendation using Deep Learning (Keras and Google Colab)

May 2019

- Preprocessed data by producing mel-spectrograms for 8000 audio files, each of 30 seconds, from Free Music Archive dataset
- Designed a CNN on Google Colab for classifying 60,000 image slices of these mel-spectrograms into 8 different genres
- Predicted latent feature vectors using final network and established strong cosine similarity score between one song (anchor) and other similar songs in test set

# Twitter Sentiment Analysis using Recurrent Neural Networks (Keras and Google Colab)

March 2019

- Pre-processed over 1.6 million positive and negative tweets from Stanford's Sentiment140 dataset
- · Constructed a Recurrent Neural Network with Long Short-Term Memory units to analyse sentiment of these tweets
- Achieved an accuracy of 84.57 % on test set and employed final network to yield a degree of sentiment on user entered text

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Programming Languages: Python (Expert), Java (Expert), C (Familiar)
- Frameworks and tools: Keras, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Plotly, Scikit-Learn, Matplotlib, Pandas, Google Colab, Android Studio
- Web Development and Data-oriented Languages: HTML, CSS, PHP, JavaScript, Ajax, SQL