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INTERESTS

- Data mining and machine learning algorithms and tools
- Graph and text analysis methods
- Database management and development
- “Big Data” projects with semi-structured and distributed databases

EDUCATION

PhD Area: Database/Data Mining (Expected: Dec, 2017)
Graph Search Algorithm on Scientific Documents
Information Systems, University of Maryland Baltimore County
MS CGPA: 3.8 (May, 2014)
Information Systems, University of Maryland Baltimore County
BS CGPA: 3.66 (Magna Cum Laude) (Apr, 2009)
Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering, North South University

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Database and Query Languages: Oracle , MySQL, neo4j, CouchDB, MongoDB, PL/SQL, CQL
Web Data Structures: HTML, XML, JSON
Programming Languages: Python, R, MATLAB
Operating System: Windows, Mac OS, Linux
Tools: Git, Gephi, Weka

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1. **Graduate Teaching Assistant, Dept. of IS UMBC** (Jan2016 – Now)
 - Instructor: Introduction to Computer Based Systems (Jan 2012 – May 2014)
 - TA: Data Science, Introduction to Data Mining, Introduction to Database Design
2. **Research Fellow, US Food and Drug Administration (DIDSR, CDRH)** (Jun 2015 – Sep 2016)
Project: Mitotic Count Simulation; Language and Tools: R
 - Developed an R tool that simulates a reader study for clinical trials on medical imaging devices where multiple readers (clinicians) read multiple cases (scanning images of cancer patients) on multiple test devices and provide a mitotic count score to analyze and evaluate reader agreement and variability
3. **Graduate Research Assistant, Dept. of IS, UMBC** (Aug 2014 – May 2015)
Project: Network Analysis of Bio-Medical Data; Language and Tools: MATLAB, R
 - Developing methods to categorize medical documents
 - Integrating different sources of relational and non-relational data for personalized medicine.
 - Comparing the medical data network and random network using Social Network Analysis methods and finding the most important nodes, their connections, sub groups and cliques in the network.
 - Creating a learning algorithm from the changes in the network by perturbing the most significant nodes and their effects.
4. **Data Science Intern, Chegg Inc.** (Jun – Aug 2014)
Project: Know Your Customer; Language and Tools: Python (Scikit-learn, Numpy), MySQL, AWS
 - Developed a system that predicts missing customer features - i) school, ii) gender and iii) graduation year from their from text book purchase/rental behavior by using classification
 - The algorithms used – stochastic gradient descent, support vector machine, perceptron and naive bayes with 75-85% accuracy. Size of the data sets varied from 1 – 4 GB.

RELEVANT COURSES:

Advanced Database Projects, Data Mining, Semi-Structured Data Management, Cybersecurity, Computational Methodology, Advanced Experimental Design Methodology, Health Care Informatics, Intelligent Technologies

SELECTED ACADEMIC WORKS AND PROJECTS

Current Research: Dynamic Lab, IS, UMBC and DIDS, CDRH, FDA

A Framework to Build A Graph based Knowledge Base from Scientific Literature with Search Functionality (Dissertation)

Tools: neo4j, Gephi; Programming Language: Python, Cypher Query Language

- Building a framework for a graph based knowledge base with search and retrieval functionality from scientific literature. The knowledge base will serve the research community with structured information retrieved from the metadata and contents of the documents. The four main tasks of this project is to parse the documents to retrieve structured, specific information, create a document level graph from the metadata and the content and analyze the graph to understand its characteristics and test and optimize some example user queries to evaluate the performance.

Big Graph Model for Linked Open Data

Tools: neo4j; Programming Language: Python, Cypher Query Language

- Developing methods to model and query large-scale linked open data. The model is compared in multiple graph databases and the queries are compared and tested against traditional SPARQL queries.

Previous Projects:

Graduate Projects

Research Trend Analysis in “Obesity” in 2013

Intelligent Technology (IS 707)

Tools: Open Web Crawler; Programming Language: Python (BeautifulSoup, Numpy), MATLAB

- Clustered the articles based on their semantic trend using Latent Semantic Analysis and K-means clustering algorithm, found appropriate labels for the clusters by analyzing the weights of the terms, and compared with manually chosen topic.

Online Auction System (follows the eBay structure)

Advanced Database Projects (IS 620)

Tools: Oracle Server, SQL developer, Programming Language: SQL, PLSQL

- Designed a database and created procedures, functions and triggers to allow users to create account, buy, sell and return goods, bid on items, see their profile and generate reports for administrators

Crime in United States: Finding the Reasons and Outliers

Data Mining (IS 733)

Tools: SQL Developer, Weka, MS Access, MS Excel

- Found the root causes behind crime in United States and detected the outlier communities and states based on different attributes by using clustering and correlation

Temporal Analysis to Find Patterns in Attacks using Classification

Cybersecurity (IS 698)

Tools: SQL Developer, Weka, MS Access, MS Excel

- Found patterns in the attacks from a seven – week tcp dump dataset with respect to time. The patterns include the time window for most prone to attacks, type of attacks in different time frame, certain nodes, families of IPs getting frequently attacked

Undergraduate Projects

School Management System

Database Management Systems

Tools: Oracle, Apache Server, Visual Basic; Programming Language: SQL

- Designed both frontend and backend of a database for the academic and financial records of a school with the option of generating report cards, salary receipts

Paid Solution

Web Designing

Programming Language: PHP, JavaScript, CSS, MySQL

- Designed a web-based service to allow users to ask questions, give answers and pay the person who provides the best answer and manage all their accounts and profiles.