Ahmad Ghasemi

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Data Science, GPA: 3.94/4.0,

- Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), Worcester, MA, USA

2019 - 2023

- Michigan Technological University (MTU), Houghton, MI, USA

2018 - 2019

M.Sc. Electrical and Computer Engineering, GPA: 17.27/20.0, Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran

2009 - 2012

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Deep Learning Consultant, SoilX, Worcester, MA

01/2024 - Present

- Designing and implementing efficient deep learning and tiny computer vision models for UAVs, focusing on model optimization and resource efficiency.
- Developing and optimizing end-to-end machine learning pipelines for large-scale, multi-modal data, improving computational efficiency and model performance.
- Mentoring a cross-functional team of data scientists and engineers, fostering collaboration and innovation in project development.

Lecturer, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst, MA

09/2023 - Present

- · Lectured on advanced topics in efficient deep learning, digital signal processing, and on-device machine learning.
- Guided graduate & undergraduate researchers, focusing on innovative approaches in machine learning and model optimization.

Graduate AI Researcher, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA

01/2019 - 08/2023

- Led a research project on low-cost, efficient deep learning algorithms for radio resource management, enhancing network capacity and computational efficiency.
- Developed and implemented efficient machine learning algorithms to optimize resource management, resulting in a **40%** increase in network capacity with linear complexity.

Summer Graduate Research Internship (Funded by Ford), Wireless Positioning Lab., Michigan Tech., MI 06/2019 - 08/2019

- · Developed an efficient computer vision algorithm for autonomous vehicles, reducing latency by 15%.
- Implemented the system on a Raspberry Pi, demonstrating practical, low-cost deployment.

SELECTED PROJECTS

1. Efficient Graph Neural Networks, UMass Amherst, Amherst, MA

10/2023 - 01/2024

- Innovated a Low Rank Message Passing Graph Neural Network (LR-MPGNN).
- · This innovative design significantly reduced the model size by 60X, with only a 2% performance reduction in the sum rate.

2. Tiny Graph Classification Expressiveness, UMass Amherst, Amherst, MA

09/2023 - 10/2023

- Applied pruning, quantization-aware training, and post-training quantization techniques to optimize models.
- Reduced GCN and GIN model sizes by 93X and 78X respectively while maintaining performance.

3. Adversarial attacks against graph neural networks, WPI, Worcester, MA

01/2022 - 02/2023

- · Introduced four novel adversarial attacks targeting GNN-based resource management, attained a 95% success rate.
- · Proposed a novel anomaly detection method based on eigen-value distribution, achieved a 100% accuracy.

4. Low-Cost Beamforming Algorithms, WPI, Worcester, MA

09/2020 - 04/2021

- · Implemented dimension reduction methods for user classification and clustering, resulted in a 10% increase in accuracy.
- Proposed two efficient ML algorithms for resource management with linear complexity, reduced processing time by 60%.

5. Real-Time object tracking, Wireless Positioning Lab., Michigan Tech., Houghton, MI

06/2019 - 09/201

- Implemented efficient region-based CNN (R-CNN) and fast R-CNN on Raspberry Pi to track object in the real time.
- Achieved 15% less latency.

SKILLS

Machine Learning & Deep Learning: TinyML and Deep Learning on the Edge: Deep Learning frameworks:

Programming: Version Control:

Efficient Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Generative AI, Multi-Model ML Pruning, Quantization, Neural Architecture Search (NAS)

PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, TensorFlow Lite, TensorFlow Lite Micro

Python, OpenCV, MATLAB, Julia

Git, GitHub

HONORS AND AWARDS

Travel Award, School of Arts & Sciences, WPI, Worcester, MA, USA

2022

TA of the Year Award (Finalist), WPI, Worcester, MA, USA

2022

Charles Kao Best Paper Award, the 29th Wireless and Optical Communications Conference, NJ, USA

2020