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Education

Bachelor of Science (Honors)

Data Science

Yale-NUS College 2018 – 2022

- Awarded Scholarship to attend Full-time.

Projects

ScobraPy Packaging and Maintenance

Sep 2018 – Present Research

<https://pypi.org/project/scobra/>

I packaged and currently maintain a stable version on the Python Package Index (PyPI).

COVID-19 Pneumonia Classifier

March 2020

Computer Vision

<https://github.com/ajsanjoaquin/COVID-19-Scanner>

I used transfer learning on a Resnet 50 Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) to detect Pneumonia caused by COVID-19 on x-ray scans. Latest model was trained on 26,000 images, and initial accuracy for true positives on the test set was at 99%.

Neuontobotrys Tarapacana (NTARA) Model

Jun 2019 – Aug 2019 Plant Metabolic Modelling

<https://github.com/ajsanjoaquin/ntara>

I used Flux Balance Analysis (FBA) to test the integrity of added reactions to the NTARA model. I created reusable functions for future research, while providing docstrings for documentation.

Pneumothorax Classifier

Jul 2019 Computer Vision

<https://github.com/ajsanjoaquin/Pneumothorax>

I made an image classifier pre-trained on a Resnet 50 Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) to detect Pneumothorax (collapsed lung) on x-ray scans. This was built in two days for the NUS-MIT Datathon. I fine-tuned the parameters using approximately 11,000 x-ray images.

Volunteering

Freelance Deep Learning Engineer Fighting COVID-19

March 2020-Present

- Created a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) trained on 26,000 images to detect Pneumonia caused by COVID-19 from Chest X-ray (CXR) scans as a proof-of-concept.
- Collaborating with A.I. Singapore to further train the model and receive additional Chest X-ray images from hospitals in China.
- Contacted and collaborating with Arterys and Beat Corona to integrate the model into their platform. Model will be deployed to U.S. hospitals and in Africa once the model improves.
- Collaborating with Actipulse Neuroscience to get CXR data from COVID-19 patients in Mexico.

Experience

Student Associate - Computational Biology

Yale-NUS College

Sep 2018 – Present Singapore

- Upgrade and maintain scobraPy, a modified version of the cobraPy module for plant metabolic modelling, from Python 2.7 to Python 3. Write documentation and perform functional testing and unit testing.

Student Associate - Neuroscience

Yale-NUS College

Jan 2020 – Present Singapore

- Create an application for speech analysis samples using Dynamic Time Warping.

Chief Executive Officer

Applica Data Services Inc.

Jun 2017 – Apr 2018

NCR - National Capital Region, Philippines

- Led a team to manage Applica, a centralized platform that allows people to apply to universities online in the Philippines. It is designated as a Harvard Social Innovation Collaborative Global Trailblazer.
- Cold called colleges and universities across the country and promptly underwent contract negotiations with 2 schools.
- Oversaw about 200 unique applications for the 2017-2018 Admissions Cycle, approximately a 400% increase from last year's cycle

Certification

Machine Learning

Jul 2019 Coursera

Credential ID: WFK75DQC9N5Q

[Verification Link](#)

Publications

"Using Deep Learning to Detect Pneumonia caused by COVID-19", *Towards Data Science* (Mar 2020) . [Link](#)

"Three Things I learned from Creating Fake Faces using A.I.", *The Startup* (Jan 2020) [Link](#)

"Creating A Radiologist from Scratch", *Towards Data Science* (Jul 2019) [Link](#)

Skills

Programming in Python (NumPy, Pandas, Pytorch, ScobraPy),
Data Handling (MS Excel, SQL),
Application Development (Git, Docker, Google Cloud),
Project Management (Trello, Slack),
Pitching (Cold-emailing, Streak),
Technical Writing (LaTeX)

Languages

English Native

Filipino Native