ARTEM VYSOGORETS

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

2019 - Present New York University, New York, NY

Doctor of Philosophy in Data Science (Expected: May 2024)

Current GPA: 3.9

Academic Advisor: Julia Kempe, PhD

2015 – 2019 University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst, MA

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, Summa Cum Laude (GPA: 4.0)

Commonwealth Honors College Scholar with Greatest Distinction Thesis title: "The Kazhdan-Lusztig Polynomial of a Deletion Matroid"

Thesis Advisor: Tom Braden, PhD

WORK EXPERIENCE

Summer 2023 Senior Marketing Data Science Intern (IBM, New York, NY)
In a team of three delivered an ML solution for predicting client conversion based on a history of interactions with the company's assets.
Responsibilities encompassed full ML/DS stack from R&D and data retrieval to modeling, and business interpretation.

Summer 2022 Quant Machine Learning Intern (Bloomberg LP, New York, NY)

Developed a codebase in PyTorch for benchmarking active learning methods with some of the most common (at the time) LLMs on internal text classification datasets. Authored a publication that proposes an efficient active learning protocol leveraging pre-trained embedding spaces.

Summer 2021 Research Intern (Samsung AI Center, New York, NY).

Assisted in a research project on optimal robot navigation based on the pre-learned cost-to-go function and image feed. Collected training data in a physics simulator and trained several neural network architectures (including hypernetworks) in PyTorch.

PUBLICATIONS

2024 Robust Data Pruning: Uncovering and Overcoming Implicit Bias. Preprint. Vysogorets, A., Ahuja, K., Kempe, J.

TL;DR: We conduct the first systematic study of data pruning algorithms in a fairness framework and propose a novel protocol that significantly improves worst-class accuracy by selecting appropriate pruning class-ratios.

2023-2024 Deconstructing the Goldilocks Zone of Neural Network Initialization.

Preprint.

Vysogorets, A., Dawid, A., Kempe, J.

TL;DR: Through experiments and mathematical analysis of the training loss Hessian, we study the Goldilocks zone, originally introduced as the area of high positive loss curvature and local convexity.

2022–2023 Towards Efficient Active Learning in NLP via Pretrained Representations. DMLR Workshop @ ICLR 2024.

Vysogorets, A., Gopal, A.

TL;DR: We use pretrained LLM embeddings within the active learning loop for efficient acquisition of unlabeled text data with minimal or no performance loss compared to LLM re-fine-tuning.

2021–2022 <u>Connectivity Matters: Neural Network Pruning Through the Lens of Effective Sparsity</u>. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 24 (99). Vysogorets, A., Kempe, J.

TL;DR: We introduce a sparsity metric that accounts for inactivated neurons after pruning and reevaluated popular pruning algorithms in this framework. Designed a universal method for layerwise sparsity distribution to obtain a state-of-the-art random pruning strategy. Conducted over 3,000 GPU-powered experiments in computer vision, e.g., ResNet-50 on ImageNet.

2021 <u>ImpressLearn: Continual Learning via Combined Task Impressions</u> (NYU). *Preprint*.

Bhardwaj, D., Kempe, J., **Vysogorets, A.**, Teng, A., Ezekwem, E. TL;DR: We design a continual learning strategy based on supermasks that allows positive knowledge transfer, incurs zero forgetting, and scales with the number of tasks favorably compared to similar baselines.

2018 – 2019 <u>Kazhdan-Lusztig Polynomials of Matroids Under Deletion</u>. The Electronic Journal of Combinatorics, 27(1).

Braden T., Vysogorets A.

TL;DR: We developed new matroid constructions that provably relate Kazhdan-Lusztig polynomial of matroid to that of its deletion. This result yields a closed formula for Kazhdan-Lusztig polynomials of a particular family of graphic matroids.

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Fall 2019 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program, Honorable Mention

2015 – 2019 Chancellor's Award, University of Massachusetts Amherst, all semesters.

April 2018 Coach of the UMass Amherst SCUDEM (Student Competition Using Differential Equations Modeling) team, 2nd place.

- April 2018 William F. Field Alumni Scholarship, UMass Amherst Alumni Association.
- December 2017 Member of the UMass Amherst Putnam Exam team.
 - March 2017 Jacob-Cohen-Killam Math Competition for freshmen and sophomores, UMass Amherst, 3rd place.
 - January 2017 Research Assistance Fellowship, Honors College, UMass Amherst
 - February 2015 Moscow State University (MSU) math olympiad, 3rd prize (top 25%).
 - February 2015 Moscow Institute for Physics and Technology math olympiad, 3rd prize.
 - March 2012 Winner of the Moscow State University (MSU) math olympiad.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2020 Teaching Assistant, New York University
 - Course: Introduction to Data Science for PhD Students (my own materials)
- Fall 2019 Grader, New York University
 - Course: Honors Abstract Algebra I
- Summer 2019 Student Researcher, Research in Industrial Projects for Students (RIPS),
 - Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics, UCLA
 - Project: <u>Automating Artifact Detection in Video Games</u>
 - 2018 2019 Teaching Assistant, University of Massachusetts Amherst
 - Course: Fundamental Concepts of Mathematics
- Summer 2018 Student Researcher, REU in Mathematics, San Diego State University.
 - Project: Predicting Riemann Zeta Function Zeroes with Machine Learning.

OTHER SKILLS

<u>Programming experience</u>: Python (TensorFlow/PyTorch), SQL, Java, C++, HPC

Languages: fluent English, fluent Russian