Desh Raj

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EDUCATION Bachelor of Technology

Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, India, June 2017

Major: Computer Science and Engineering Aggregate: 9.35/10 (Latest GPA 9.81)

RESEARCH **INTERESTS**

Natural language processing, deep learning, computer vision, fuzzy logic systems

PROJECTS

Relation classification for clinical text

Bachelor Thesis

Guide: Prof. Ashish Anand, Dept. of CSE

- Implemented a novel CRNN model to learn long and short term dependencies and evaluated attention-based pooling
- Achieved state-of-the-art performance on two benchmark datasets (i2b2 and DDI) without any manual feature engineering

Text readability analysis using language models

Spring 2017

Guide: Prof. Ashish Anand, Dept. of CSE

- Developed an unsupervised approach for predicting text readability scores using different language models
- Implemented statistical and deep-learning models, for comparing results with vocabulary-based and syntactic approaches

Fault detection in manufacturing

Spring 2017

Guide: Prof. Rashmi Dutta Baruah, Dept. of CSE

- Worked on feature selection for very high-dimensional data using Gradient Boosting, and representation of categorical features by a single numeric feature using STG and RDA methods
- Also proposed a meta-optimization of the evaluation metric using Bayesian optimization, as a post-classification step

Spatial Transformer Networks

Fall 2016

Guide: Prof. Arijit Sur, Dept. of CSE

 Used STNs for object recognition and activity prediction from egocentric images, working with GTEA and Intel Egocentric Vision data sets

Pattern recognition in multidimensional fuzzy sets Guide: Prof. Frank Rhee, Hanyang University

Summer 2015

- Proposed an algorithm to select multidimensional fuzzy membership functions according to data, using Wilcoxon's nonparametric tests
- Extended the method for high-dimensional data using dimensionality reduction approaches like PCA, kernel PCA, probabilistic PCA, and t-SNE
- Worked on improving clustering performance of fuzzy ART algorithm by integrating Interval Type-2 approach into vigilance parameter computation and improved classification results by 5-10%

EXPERIENCE

Research Engineer - Samsung R&D Bangalore

Manager: Vikram Mupparthi, AlterEgo (Smart Assistant)

July 2017 - Present

- Part of the Context Engine module within the Smart Assistant team, and involved in developing a calendar manager that stores history and infers input based on prior context
- Built unit testing framework, and working on improving collaboration by adding user interaction points

Software Developer Intern - Microsoft India Manager: Sarang Date, OEM-ECIT Summer 2016

- Developed a cross-platform mobile application in Xamarin Forms for OEM digital contracting system
- Evaluated various notification services and implemented GCM for push notifications
- Conceptualized statistics APIs to improve business efficiency

PUBLICATIONS

Conference

- D.Raj, S.K.Sahu, A.Anand, Learning local and global contexts using a convolutional recurrent network model for relation classification in biomedical text. SIGNLL Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL) 2017. PP 311–321
- **D.Raj**, A.Gupta, K.Tanna, B.Garg, F.C.H.Rhee, *Principal component analysis approach in selecting type-1 and type-2 fuzzy membership functions for high-dimensional data*. In Proceedings: 17th World Congress of International Fuzzy Systems Association 2017.
- **D.Raj**, B.Garg, K.Tanna, F.C.H.Rhee, *Visual analysis and representations of type-2 fuzzy membership functions*. In Proceedings: IEEE International Conference on Fuzzy Systems 2016. PP 550–554

Journal

- **D.Raj**, A.Gupta, B.Garg, K.Tanna, F.C.H.Rhee, *Analysis of data generated from multidimensional type-1 and type-2 fuzzy membership functions*. IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems.
- S.Majheed, A.Gupta, **D.Raj**, F.C.H.Rhee, *Uncertain Fuzzy Self-organization based Clustering: Interval Type-2 Approach to Adaptive Resonance Theory*. Information Sciences 424 (2018). PP 69–90

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recepient of INAE Travel Grant Scheme by Govt. of India for oral presentation at WCCI 2016
- Recepient of **Kalyani Research Scholarship** from Alumni Affairs (IIT Guwahati) for publishing at an international conference during B.Tech.
- Offered **INSPIRE scholarship** by Dept. of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, for being among the top 1% in AISSCE-2013

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & Software: Python, C, C++, Java, C#, Tensorflow, Xamarin, MAT-LAB, Visual Studio, Eclipse, Android Studio, LaTeX Operating Systems: Linux, Windows.