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EDUCATION

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, U.S. Aug. 2021-May. 2026 Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Physics Sept. 2017-Jun. 2021 SHANDONG UNIVERSITY, Jinan, Shandong, China Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Physics **DUKE UNIVERSITY, Durham, North Carolina, U.S.** Aug. 2019-May. 2020 Visiting International Student, Physics

EXPERIENCE

AI/ML Assisted Experiment Control

Graduate Research Assistant

Mar. 2024-Present Pittsburgh, PA

- The objective is to develop and train a reinforcement learning model for real-time control of the radiator rotation, ensuring the production of a polarized photon beam with the precise energy required for the GlueX experiment.
- Developed an automated data collection pipeline in Python, processing and transforming 500MB time-series experiment control data into CSV format, optimizing data accessibility and facilitating streamlined analysis and model training.
- Conducted **exploratory** and **correlation analysis** to identify most relevant variables influencing photon beam energy.
- Trained and optimized a surrogate model using Gaussian Process Regression to map photon energy from relevant variables and integrated the model into the custom RL environment built with the OpenAI gymnasium.
- Implemented DDPG and TD3 algorithms using TensorFlow to train reinforcement learning agents. Enhanced agent performance by the refining observation space, reward function, and **fine-tuning** model hyperparameters.

GlueX Experiment Software Engineering and Data Analysis

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug. 2021-Present

- Pittsburgh, PA
- Established a processing pipeline in C++ and processed over 25TB experimental data using computing clusters at CMU.
- Implemented a statistical weighting method, applied event-by-event, to disentangle the contributions of different decay processes in the data, effectively separating signal from background channels and improving the data purity.
- Performed partial wave analysis based on maximum likelihood estimation (MLE) with gradient descent optimization and parallel computing with MPI and GPUs, optimizing and fine-tuning models to extract physics insights.
- Led the study of mathematical ambiguity in the MLE analysis, demonstrating that multiple parameter sets can yield the same likelihood. Derived criteria for the occurrence of ambiguity, which were verified by Monte Carlo simulations.
- Developing LASSO regularization technique in C++ to enhance model selection for the partial wave analysis.

Algorithm Development for PandaX-4T Supernova Early Warning

Research Assistant

Nov. 2020-Jun. 2021

Shandong, China

- Developed an **object-oriented sliding window algorithm** in C++ for the prompt detection of supernova bursts.
- Implemented Monte Carlo simulation to assess the algorithm's performance in classifying supernova burst signals amidst Poisson-distributed background noise, ensuring accurate distinguishing capabilities.
- Achieved a 99.73% true positive rate and limited the false positive frequency to once a week with optimized parameters.

PROJECTS

Image Captioning

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- Built 2 models with PyTorch, one using CNN+CNN for vision and language, the other using CNN+Transformer.
- Applied hierarchical attention mechanism for CNN+CNN model, achieving results comparable to LSTM-based models.
- Trained models with 10K images from MSCOCO dataset, demonstrating the CNN+Transformer model outperforms CNNand LSTM-based models by 10%, with a BLEU-1 score around 70. See our final report here.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Language: Python, C, C++, Shell script, SQL
- Toolkit: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Numpy, ROOT, GEANT4
- Software: Git, Docker, Slurm, Mathematica, Tableau
- Specialties: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Statistical Modeling, Data Analysis, Natural Language Processing, Multimodal Learning, Generative Models, Time Series Analysis, Online Learning