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Education

Carnegie Mellon University

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Pittsburgh, PA, August 2018 - May 2023 (anticipated)

The University of Texas at Austin

B.S. in Computer Science

B.S. in Mathematical Sciences, Specialization in Statistics, Probability & Data Analysis

Employment

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA, August 2018 - Present

Austin, TX, August 2013 - May 2017

 $\label{eq:Graduate Research Assistant} \mbox{ (Advisor: J. Zico Kolter)} \\ \mbox{Research on robustness and uncertainty in machine learning.}$

Google Research

Mountain View, CA, May - August 2022

Research Intern (Hosts: Cyrus Rashtchian and Da-Cheng Juan)

Research on using knowledge distillation to transfer out-of-distribution generalization.

Bosch Center for Artificial Intelligence

Pittsburgh, PA, May - December 2021

Machine Learning Research Intern (Host: Wan-Yi Lin)

Research on developing a certified defense against adversarial patch attacks with efficient inference time.

Uber Advanced Technologies Group, Software Engineer

Pittsburgh, PA, March 2017 - August 2018

Developed web-based camera image labeling tools and engineered autolabeling capabilities.

The University of Texas at Austin

Austin, TX, August - December 2016

Undergraduate Research Assistant (Advisor: Robert A. van de Geijn)

Research on practical, Strassen-like fast matrix multiplication algorithms and performance optimization for the k-nearest neighbors kernel.

Texas Institute for Computational Engineering and Sciences

Austin, TX, June - August 2016

Moncrief Undergraduate Summer Research Intern (Advisor: Robert A. van de Geijn)

Research on dense matrix multiplication performance optimization using Strassen's algorithm.

Able Lending, Software Engineer

Austin, TX, June 2015 - January 2016

Built data science pipeline for finding small business customers, and developed internal and customer-facing software for managing small business loans.

Applied Research Laboratories at the University of Texas

Austin, TX, September 2014 - May 2015

at Austin, Undergraduate Research Assistant, Space and Geophysics Lab

Developed anomaly detection algorithms for geospatial data.

Publications

(Certified!!) Adversarial Robustness for Free!

Nicholas Carlini*, Florian Tramer*, Krishnamurthy (Dj) Dvijotham, Leslie Rice, Mingjie Sun, J. Zico Kolter International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2023

Robustness between the worst and average case

Leslie Rice, Anna Bair, Huan Zhang, J. Zico Kolter

Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2021

Overfitting in adversarially robust deep learning

Leslie Rice*, Eric Wong*, J. Zico Kolter

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2020

Fast is better than free: Revisiting adversarial training

Eric Wong*, Leslie Rice*, J. Zico Kolter

International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2020

Generating Families of Practical Fast Matrix Multiplication Algorithms

Jianyu Huang, Leslie Rice, Devin A. Matthews, Robert A. van de Geijn

IEEE International Parallel & Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS) 2017

^{*}Equal contribution

Workshop Papers

Certified robustness against adversarial patch attacks via randomized cropping

Wan-Yi Lin, Fatemeh Sheikholeslami, Jinghao Shi, Leslie Rice, J. Zico Kolter ICML 2021 Workshop on Adversarial Machine Learning

Empirical robustification of pre-trained classifiers

Mohammad Sadegh Norouzzadeh, Wan-Yi Lin, Leonid Boytsov, Leslie Rice, Huan Zhang, Filipe Condessa, J. Zico Kolter ICML 2021 Workshop on Adversarial Machine Learning

$Undergraduate\ Thesis$

Performance Optimization for the K-Nearest Neighbors Kernel using Strassen's Algorithm

Leslie Rice

Undergraduate Honors Thesis, The University of Texas at Austin, 2017

Teaching

Carnegie Mellon University, Graduate Teaching Assistant

Deep Learning Systems: Algorithms and Implementation (10-414/714)

Pittsburgh, PA, August - December 2018

Pittsburgh, PA, August - December 2021

Carnegie Mellon University, Graduate Teaching Assistant

Practical Data Science (15-388/688)

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The University of Texas at Austin, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Principles of Computer Systems (CS-439)

Austin, TX, January - May 2016

Professional Activities

Conference Reviewer

International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2023 Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2021-2022

Workshop Reviewer

Trustworthy and Socially Responsible Machine Learning at NeurIPS 2022 Adversarial Machine Learning Frontiers at ICML 2022 Robust and Reliable Machine Learning in the Real World at ICLR 2021

Workshop Organizer

Formal Verification of Machine Learning at ICML 2022

A Blessing in Disguise: The Prospects and Perils of Adversarial Machine Learning at ICML 2021

Ph.D. Admissions Committee Member

Served on the 2021 Ph.D. admissions committee for Carnegie Mellon University's Computer Science Department