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🚲 “Work to become, not to acquire”



Summary

I am a self-motivated, organised and dedicated Ph.D. (expected graduation in **Jan 2024**) with proven mathematical skills and a desire to learn more. I have 7+ years of experience using machine learning and deep learning for analysing various data types (medical images, Raman spectra, and surveillance videos). I am super fascinated by coding and very interested in analyzing real-world dataset.

Skills: **Machine/Deep Learning** **Optimization** **Federated learning** **Uncertainty estimation**
Anomaly detection **PyTorch & Python** **Computer vision** **Spectroscopy analysis** **Data Visualization**

Education


- 2021 – 2024 **PhD, Technical University of Denmark** Applied Mathematics and Computer Science
Denmark Topic: *Federated Machine Learning for Raman spectra and Surface-Enhanced Raman spectra (SERS)*
- 2022 – 2023 **Visiting PhD student, CISP** Helmholtz Center for Information Security
Germany Topic: *Accelerating the convergence of federated learning algorithms under high data heterogeneity*
- 2016 – 2018 **M.Sc., Technical University of Denmark** Mathematical Modelling and Computation
Denmark Thesis: *Active multitask learning for object recognition in images using deep neural networks*
- 2012 – 2016 **B.Sc., Jilin University** Financial Engineering
China Thesis: *The analysis of monetary factor in the context of capital market*

Work Experience

- 2019 – 2021 **Researcher** Ghent University - Imec, Supervisor: Dr. Sam Leroux, Prof. Pieter Simones
Belgium
 - Develop deep neural networks for detecting anomalies in surveillance videos under adverse weather
 - Develop distillation-learning based hardware-efficient framework for traffic counting
- 2018 – 2018 **Research Assistant** Technical University of Denmark, Supervisor: Prof. Tommy Alstrøm
Denmark
 - Explore uncertainty calibration within active learning for medical image segmentation
 - Develop region-based acquisition strategy to reduce labelling effort
- 2018 – 2022 **Teaching Assistant** Technical University of Denmark
Denmark
 - Deep learning, 2021, 2023 • Bayesian machine learning, 2022 • Advanced data analysis, 2018

Publications

- 1 **B. Li**, Y. Esfandiari, M. N. Schmidt, T. S. Alstrøm, and S. U. Stich, *Synthetic data shuffling accelerates the convergence of federated learning under data heterogeneity*, 2023. arXiv: 2306.13263 [cs.LG].
- 2 **B. Li**, M. N. Schmidt, T. S. Alstrøm, and S. U. Stich, “On the effectiveness of partial variance reduction in federated learning with heterogeneous data,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Jun. 2023, pp. 3964–3973.
- 3 **B. Li**, G. Zappalá, E. Dumont, *et al.*, “Nitroaromatic explosives’ detection and quantification using an attention-based transformer on surface-enhanced raman spectroscopy maps,” *Analyst*, 2023. 🌐 URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1039/D3AN00446E>.

- 4 B. Li, M. N. Schmidt, and T. S. Alstrøm, "Raman spectrum matching with contrastive representation learning," *Analyst*, 2022.  DOI: 10.1039/D2AN00403H.
- 5 B. Li*, S. Leroux*, and P. Simoens, "Automated training of location-specific edge models for traffic counting," *Computers Electrical Engineering*, vol. 99, p. 107 763, 2022, ISSN: 0045-7906.
- 6 B. Li*, S. Leroux*, and P. Simoens, "Multi-branch neural networks for video anomaly detection in adverse lighting and weather conditions," in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)*, Jan. 2022, pp. 2358–2366.
- 7 B. Li, S. Leroux, and P. Simoens, "Decoupled appearance and motion learning for efficient anomaly detection in surveillance video," *Computer Vision and Image Understanding*, vol. 210, p. 103 249, 2021, ISSN: 1077-3142.
- 8 B. Li and T. Alstrøm, "On uncertainty estimation in active learning for image segmentation," in *Proceedings of 2020 International Conference on Machine Learning: Workshop on Uncertainty and Robustness in Deep Learning*, 2020.

Projects supervision

- 1 2023, Project supervision: *Explore the quality of the estimated uncertainty using federated learning*
- 2 2023, Bachelor thesis: *Explore representation learning in federated learning*, Victor T. Olesen, and Rasmus S. Mikkelsen
- 3 2022, Project: *Federated machine learning*, Asger L. Schultz, Søren W. Holm, and Gustav L. Moesmand
- 4 2021, Project: *Unsupervised representation learning*, Till A. Aczel, Victor T. Olesen, Rasmus S. Mikkelsen, and David B. Ludvigsen
- 5 2021, Master thesis: *Segmentation of cardiac structures based on MRI data using neural networks with analysis and evaluation of anatomical implausible segmentation errors (coding support)*, Katrine M. Ejlev and Michala Z. Blicher



Skills and hobbies

Languages	📖 Native Chinese, Proficient English, Basic Dutch (A1, 365+ streak on Duolingo)
Coding	📖 Python, PyTorch, R, Bash script, MATLAB, TensorFlow, Linux, GitHub, AWS, Plotly, JSON
Web Dev	📖 Basic level for React
Hobbies	📖 Yoga, read thriller books, hiking, sewing, and knitting

Awards

2022 – 2023	📖 Otto Mønsted Foundation funding
2016 – 2018	📖 Danish Innovation Scholarship under DABAI

Referees

1. Associate Professor Tommy S. Alstrøm, Technical University of Denmark,  tsal@dtu.dk
2. Associate Professor Mikkel N. Schmidt, Technical University of Denmark,  mns@dtu.dk