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Education

- Masters of Science in Computer Science
University of Southern California (USC) May 2017
Los Angeles, CA
- Bachelors of Science in Physics
Stony Brook University (SBU) May 2015
Stony Brook, NY

Honors and Awards

- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship in Neuroscience Apr. 2015
- SBU Provost Award for Academic Excellence (20/3700 graduating students chosen by faculty) Apr. 2015
- 2nd Place in Physics and Mathematics at 23rd Annual CSTEP Statewide Student Conference Apr. 2015
- SBU Researcher of the Month (1 school-wide per month) Dec. 2014
- Howard Hughes Medical Institute Minority Undergraduate Research Fellowship Jun. 2014
- Life Sciences Summer Undergraduate Research Program Fellowship Jun. 2013
- Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honor Society (only 2nd year student inducted) Mar. 2013
- SBU Scholar of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Sep. 2012
- Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation NSF Scholar Sep. 2011
- Dean's List

Conference Publications

* denotes co first author

Wilka Carvalho*, Sanjay Purushotham*, Yan Liu. "Variational Recurrent Adversarial Deep Domain Adaptation" In 5th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2017 (Under Review)

Wilka Carvalho*, Sanjay Purushotham*, Yan Liu. "Variational Adversarial Deep Domain Adaptation for Health Care Time Series Analysis" In 29th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems Workshop on Machine Learning for Healthcare (NIPS ML4HC), 2016

Computational Research Experience

- University of Southern California, Computer Science Department (Yan Liu) Los Angeles, NY
Machine Learning Group Winter 2016 –
- Used Python and Theano to develop an unsupervised learning algorithm for incorporating temporal dependencies when performing domain adaptation on time-series data

Stony Brook University, Physics Department (Axel Drees)

Heavy Ion Research Group

Stony Brook, NY

Winter 2013 – Summer 2015

DOE funded project: *“Modeling a Detection of internally reflected Cherenkov light (DIRC) Particle Detector for High-Multiplicity Collisions”*

- Created Monte Carlo to generate the Cherenkov light data of a DIRC particle detector
- Developed a pattern recognition algorithm to identify particles from the generated Cherenkov light data
- Led software development of C++ libraries and programs used for simulations and analyses

Stony Brook University, Neurobiology Department (Giancarlo La Camera)

NSF LSAMP Scholar in Computational Neuroscience Group

Stony Brook, NY

Fall 2014

Project: *“Spectral Analysis of Rodent Neural Data”*

- Performed spectral analyses of neural data using MATLAB
- Used temporal patterns to determine behavioral correlates of neural activity

Caltech, Computations and Neural Systems Department (Ralph Adolphs)

Howard Hughes Medical Institute MURF Fellow in Emotion and Social Cognition Laboratory

Pasadena, CA

Summer 2014

HHMI funded project: *“Modeling the Influence of Situational Variation on Theory of Mind”*

- Developed an experimental paradigm to study the role of *attribution on theory of mind*
- Wrote a web platform for administering experiments with user input-contingent trial progression and data presentation

University of Minnesota, Biomedical Engineering Department (Matthew Johnson)

Neuromodulation Research and Technology Laboratory

Minneapolis, MN

Summer 2013

NIH funded project: *“Simulating Deep Brain Stimulation”*

- Simulated deep brain stimulation of a sub-cortical structure of the brain linked to Parkinson’s disease with a library developed in Python that interfaced with simulation environment NEURON
- Developed framework for future python-NEURON interfacing

Additional Research Experience

National Central University, Mechanical Engineering Department (Shenqyang Shy)

Turbulent Combustion Laboratory

Jhongli City, Taiwan

Summer 2012

project: *“Testing Theories in Fluid Dynamics”*

- Explored boundary layer conditions, and laminar and turbulent flow of fluids through pipes of varying cross-sections

Presentations

- *“Variational Adversarial Deep Domain Adaptation for Healthcare Time Series”*, Southern California Machine Learning Symposium, Pasadena, CA, November 2016, **runner-up, best poster**
- *“Modeling a DIRC Particle Detector for High-Multiplicity Collisions”*, 23rd Annual CSTEP Statewide Student Conference, Bolton Landing, NY, April 2015, **2nd place, physics and math**
- *“Modeling the Influence of Situational Variation on Theory of Mind”*, Summer Seminar Day, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, August 2014
- *“Transitioning from Hoc to Python as the Tool for Computational Modeling of Neurons, Networks, and Deep Brain Stimulation”*, 22nd Annual CSTEP Statewide Student Conference, Bolton Landing, NY, April 2014
- *“Modeling a Detection of internally reflected Cherenkov light (DIRC) Particle Detector for High-Multiplicity Collisions”*, URECA Celebration of Undergraduate Research & Creativity, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, April 2014

- “*Transitioning from Hoc to Python as the Tool for Computational Modeling of Neurons, Networks, and Deep Brain Stimulation*”, Poster Symposium, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, August 2013

Panels

- *Research and Fellowships Week NSF Panel*, Los Angeles, CA, November 2016
- *National Society of Black Engineers Grad Panel*, Los Angeles, CA, October 2016
- *Graduate School External Fellowship Boot Camp*, Los Angeles, CA, August 2016
- *Engineering Graduate Diversity Symposium*, Los Angeles, CA, October 2015
- *Black Student Association: What it Takes to go to Graduate School*, Los Angeles, CA, October 2015
- *Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program Undergraduate Research Panel*, Stony Brook, NY, October 2014

Professional Affiliation

- Society of Physics

Programming Experience

- Python, C++, Java, MATLAB, JavaScript, PHP, Fortran95, Hoc, and shell script

Software Experience

- Theano, Tensorflow, Keras, Latex, ROOT, NEURON