OLAWALE SALAUDEEN

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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

August 2019 - Present

Ph.D. Candidate

Department of Computer Science

Advisor: Sanmi Koyejo

Texas A&M University

August 2015 - May 2019

Bachelor of Science with Honors, Mechanical Engineering

Minors in Computer Science and Mathematics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Deep Learning, Transfer Learning (Domain Adaptation/Generalization), Causal Inference/Discovery, Causality-Inspired Machine Learning, Probabilistic Graphical Models

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Brad Sutton, Aaron Anderson, Benjamin Zimmerman, Paul Camacho, Riwei Jin, Charles Marchini, Olawale Salaudeen, Natalie Ramsy, Davide Boido, Serge Charpak, Andrew Webb, Luisa Ciobanu. Ultra-fast 3D fMRI to explore cardiac-induced fluctuations in BOLD-based functional imaging

International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM), 2022 (To Appear)

2. Olawale Salaudeen, Oluwasanmi Koyejo. Exploiting Causal Chains for Domain Generalization

Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021. Workshop on Distribution Shifts – Connecting Methods and Applications

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

September 2021 - Present

Miniature Brain Machinery NSF Trainee - Champaign, Illinois

- An NSF-funded research traineeship that combines cognitive and behavior studies with brain cell and tissue biology
- Developing machine learning algorithms to detect and remove nuisance artifacts, such as the effects of breathing, from brain scans

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

August 2020 - August 2021

Beckman Institute Graduate Research Fellow - Champaign, Illinois

• Developed a causal structure learning framework to isolate and remove motion artifacts in functional Magnetic Resonance Images (fMRI)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

August 2019 - Present

Graduate Research Assistant - Champaign, Illinois

• Developed a learning framework for estimating multi-modal individual treatment effects, correlated changes, and counterfactuals in the context of human performance optimization

Texas A&M University Multi-Robotic Laboratory

October 2018 - May 2019

Undergraduate Researcher under Professor Dylan Shell – College Station, TX

• Created and analyzed a novel geometry-based motion planning algorithm for tethered robots

Texas A&M University Energy Systems Laboratory

August 2016 - October 2018

Undergraduate Researcher under Professor Charles Culp - College Station, TX

• Developed probabilistic algorithms for fault detection and diagnosis in industrial Heating Ventilation and Air Condition systems

INTERNSHIPS

Sandia National Laboratories

May 2017 - Present

Year-Round R&D Intern - Albuquerque, NM

- 2021. Developed a deep set predictor with configurable mean and pairwise errors (Type I/II) for multiclass prediction in the context of contraband detection in images
- 2020. Working on a team to develop models to classify organic materials in X-ray images
- 2020. Designed and executed experiments to investigate the effectiveness of Reinforcement Learning in sequence to sequence generation Deep Q Network in the context of automated code generation
- 2019. Implemented a rationale generating Recurrent Convolutional Neural Network model for triage classification of triggered network security alerts
- 2019. Prototyped a Convolutional Neural Network framework for semantic segmentation of X-Ray images of Improvised Explosive Devices and generation of a graphical model of designs of the devices
- 2018. Developed and implemented a multi-modal deep Recurrent Neural Network framework for classifying safety rules for maintenance tasks from mixed numerical and textual tasks descriptions
- 2018. Extended a 2D Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM) algorithm for ground systems to 3D for air systems equipped with 3D-LIDAR, IMU/GPS
- 2017. Designed and prototyped an intrusion detection and localization system using fiber-optic disturbances
- 2017. Researched and presented applications of big data analysis to learn physical properties of a configuration space based on electromagnetic disturbances in transmitted wireless signals

SKILLS

Programming: C/C++/C#, Python, Matlab, Javascript, Bash, with practical experiences.

Language: English (native), Yoruba (native), Spanish (conversational)

Misc: Solidworks (CAD)

SERVICE

Reviewing

- International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML): 2022
- NeurIPS Black In AI (BAI) Workshop: 2021

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- 2022-. Department of Computer Science Graduate Study Committee, 1 of 2 Graduate Student Members
- 2021-. Department of Computer Science Broadening Participation in Computing, Engagement Subcommittee Member
- 2020-. UIUC Graduates Engineers Diversifying Illinois, mentor upperclassmen undergraduate students in goal setting, career planning, and academic development
- 2020-. UIUC Institute for Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access (IDEA), Affiliate Member

Other

- 2017-2019 HMTech, mentored underrepresented High School students interested in STEM
- 2016-. Pi Tau Sigma, Sigma Delta (National Mechanical Engineering Honors Society), External VP
- 2015-2019 Craig and Galen Brown Honors College of Engineering, Student Executive Committee Chair
- 2015-2019 Regents Scholar Program, mentored first generation college students in Engineering

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2021-. NSF Miniature Brain Machinery Research Trainee, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2021-. GEM Associate Fellow, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2020-2021 Beckman Institute Graduate Fellow, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2019-. Sloan Scholar, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation's Minority Ph.D. (MPHD) Program
- 2019. Masters Fellowship Program, Sandia National Laboratories (declined)
- 2018. Texas A&M University Mechanical Engineering Advisory Council Scholarship
- 2017. Texas A&M University Foundation Excellence Award
- 2016-. Pi Tau Sigma, Sigma Delta (National Mechanical Engineering Honors Society)
- 2015-2019 Craig and Galen Brown Honors College of Engineering
- 2015-2019 Regents Scholar Program, Texas A&M University