PARIBESH REGMI

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EDUCATION

Computing and Information Science

Rochester Institute of Technology

Ph.D. Degree

2021 - Present

Advisor: Prof. Rui Li

Bachelor's degree

Relevant courses: Statistical Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Deep Learning Security, Foundations of Algo-

rithms, Software Engineering

Electronics and Communication Engineering

IOE, Tribhuvan University

2014 - 2018

Thesis: Nepali Speech Recognition Using RNN-CTC Model

WORK EXPERIENCE

LogPoint

Lab of Use-Inspired Computational Intelligence (LUCI)

2021 - Present

Lalitpur, Nepal

Rochester, New York

Graduate Research Assistant

. 2018 - 2021

Solutions Engineer

- Solved system/software issues at the customer's end.
- Troubleshooted/maintained system and software associated to cybersecurity, networking, Linux, user and entity behavior analysis (UEBA).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Statistical Machine Learning (ML), Deep Learning (DL), Bayesian Methods, Bayesian Model Selection, Deep Graph Learning, Federated Learning

PUBLICATIONS

AdaVAE: Bayesian Structural Adaptation for Variational Autoencoders

Paribesh Regmi; Rui Li

Thirty-Seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023

Predicting Biomedical Interactions with Probabilistic Model Selection for Graph Neural Networks

Kishan KC; Rui Li; Paribesh Regmi; Anne Haake

under submission

Nepali Speech Recognition Using RNN-CTC Model

Paribesh Regmi; Arjun Dahal; Basanta Joshi

International Journal of Computer Applications, 2019

RESEARCH/PROJECTS

Bayesian model selection in unsupervised learning

2022 - 2023

- Developing a Bayesian model selection framework to infer an optimal model structure in variational autoencoders, guided by the data
- The framework eliminates the need to fine-tune network complexity for the encoding and decoding networks
- The framework is compatible with the state-of-the-art VAE regularization methods as well as various VAE variants, further improving their performance

Relaxing structural constraints in federated learning

2023 - Present

- Developing a hierarchial framework for the modeling server/client network structures in federated learning.
- The framework relaxes the structural constraints in federated learning tasks, allowing clients to have their own independent and personalized network structure.

Representation learning on graphs

2022 - Present

- Enhancing graph representations by inferring appropriate neighborhood scope for message aggregation in a graph neural network.
- Using graph characteristics to infer the most plausible set of neighbors for message aggregation in a graph convolutional network.
- Application of Bayesian model selection to real world applications like graphs.

Leveraging deep learning in graphs for biomedical interaction prediction

2021 - Present

• Application of developed graph algorithms to real-world biomedical scenarios, like inferring the interactions in the datasets like PPI(Protein-Protein Interaction), DTI(Drug-Target Interaction), etc.

Nepali Speech Recognition

2018 - 2019

- Application of deep learning is to enhance the Nepali speech recognition system, transitioning from a limited vocabulary size to a large corpus. Connectionist Temporal Classification (CTC) loss aided in enabling end-toend training of the recurrent neural network model.
- Defined a Nepali language character set of 67 characters.

Optical Character Recognition for the MNIST dataset

2017

 Implementation of backpropagation algorithm in a vanilla neural network from scratch to classify the MNIST datasets

AWARDS

Fully funded Ph.D./ Research Assistantship at RIT

2021 - Present

Full financial support for my Ph.D. from NSF grants

Fusemachine AI Fellowship Award

2017 - 2018

Fellowship offered by Fusemachines (fusemachines.com) for Al and Machine Learning study

Full Scholarship for Bachelor's in Engineering

2014 - 2018

Ranked 28^{th} among 13,000 applicants in the engineering entrance examination to gain a full scholarship

SKILLS

Programming	General: Python, moderate expertise in Java and C++; ML and DL: pytorch, scikit-learn, numpy; Visualization: matplotlib
Troubleshooting	Solving system(Linux) and software related issues. Three years of work experience in troubleshooting.
Leadership	Former event manager at Nepalese Student Association, Rochester Institute of Technology (NSA-RIT)
Languages	Nepali, English (Speaking, Reading, Writing)