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EDUCATION

Computing and Information Science   *Rochester Institute of Technology*
PhD Degree   *2021 - Present*
Advisor: Prof. Rui Li
Relevant courses: *Statistical Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Deep Learning Security, Foundations of Algorithms, Software Engineering*

Electronics and Communication Engineering   *IOE, Tribhuvan University*
Bachelor's degree   *2014 - 2018*
Thesis: *Nepali Speech Recognition Using RNN-CTC Model*

WORK EXPERIENCE

Lab of Use-Inspired Computational Intelligence (LUCI)   *2021 - Present*
Graduate Research Assistant   *Rochester, New York*

LogPoint   *2018 - 2021*
Solutions Engineer   *Lalitpur, Nepal*

- *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, Generative Models, Deep Graph 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
arxiv.org

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 Bayesian 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-to-end 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 AI and Machine Learning study

Full Scholarship for Bachelor's in Engineering   *2014 - 2018*
Ranked 28th 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)