Yuzhi Tang

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RESEARCH/EXPERIENCE

MACHINE LEARNING GROUP | UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | GITHUB

Jun 2024 - Present | Toronto, ON

- Developed an automatic pipeline to identify and decompose risks in LLM agent trajectories via prompt-tuning. Extended <u>ToolEmu</u> to perform large-scale evaluation on SOTA LLM agents.
- Built an inference pipeline with LLM agents using LangChain and HuggingFace Transformers, enhancing LLM serving throughput by 24x with vLLM. Supervised by Prof Chris Maddison.

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING GROUP | UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO May 2023 - Present | Toronto, ON

- Developed a framework for evaluating vision neural network reliability and debugging defects by extracting and analyzing feature-specific neurons.
- Built the experiment codebase in TensorFlow and PyTorch. Evaluated method on four benchmark datasets and performed case study. Supported by the NSERC USRA award (\$7500) and supervised by Prof Marsha Chechik.

SUNNYBROOK RESEARCH INSTITUTE | ML RESEARCHER | GITHUB Jan 2023 - Apr 2023 | Toronto, ON

- Designed and implemented a **Convolutional Recurrent Neural Network** for end-to-end sleep stage classification with multimodal data in **PyTorch**.
- Experimented with weighted CE loss, engineered features, auxiliary training objectives, and ensembling to improve classification F1 by more than 10%. Accepted to poster presentation at SLEEP2024. Supervised by Dr Andrew Lim.

MIDATA LAB | ML STUDENT RESEARCHER | POSTER May 2022 - Aug 2022 | Toronto, ON

- Adapted contrastive **self-supervised** pertaining pipeline to ultrasound knee effusion segmentation and achieved significant 3.9 mloU improvement.
- Built experiments with ResNet-50 using **PyTorch** and **MMSeg** library and explained model prediction with t-SNE visualization using **Scikit-learn**. Accepted to poster presentation at Undergraduate Research Conference 2022. Supervised by Prof Pascal Tyrrell.

GAME OF APPS | SUMMER INTERN IOS APP DEVELOPER | APP Jun 2019 - Aug 2019 | Richmond, BC

- Developed the calendar, feedback, and achievements pages for the Game of Apps app (rated 4.9/5 on App Store and used by 70+ schools) using Xcode and Swift.
- Designed responsive UI with dynamic constraints and implemented multi-threading for efficient backend data loading.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Y. Tang and C.B. Hu. "DeFeaT: Feature-based Reliability Testing of Deep Neural Networks through Feature-specific Neurons". In: In Submission (n.d).
- [2] A. H. Zhang, C. Li, Y. Tang, A. He-Mo, N. Montazeri Ghahjaverestan, M. Goubran, and A. S. P. Lim. "A deep learning model for inferring sleep stage from a flexible wireless dual sensor wearable system without EEG". In: SLEEP (2024).
- [3] Z. Ren*, X. Xia*, **Y. Tang***, B. Zhao, C. P. Wong, and D. Xiao. "Asynchronous Detection of Erroneous Behaviors in Human-Robot Interaction with EEG: A Comparative Analysis of Machine Learning Models". In: bioRxiv (2023).

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED COMPUTING
- AI CONCENTRATION
Sep 2024 - Dec 2025

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

HONOURS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE - WITH HIGH DISTINCTION SPECIALIST IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, MAJOR IN COGNITIVE SCIENCE, MINOR IN MATHEMATICS Sep 2020 - Jun 2024 Cum. GPA: 3.92 / 4.0

COURSEWORK

Neural Networks and Deep Learning (A+)
Intro Machine Learning (A+)
Intro Image Understanding (A+)
Intro Artificial Intelligence (A+)
Algorithm Design & Analysis (A)
Nonlinear Optimization (A+)
Probability and Statistics (A+)
Intro Databases (A)

SKILLS

3+ years:

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Python 1+ years: C • Java • Swift 0+ years: SQL • C++

MACHINE LEARNING TOOLS

PyTorch • TensorFlow • Scikit-learn • LangChain • vLLM • MMSegmentation • OpenCV • HuggingFace Transformers • ONNX

OTHER TOOLS

PostgreSQL • Slurm • Xcode

AWARDS

- Intrinsic Error Evaluation during Human-Robot Interaction Competition IJCAI 2023 1st Place (2023, global)
- NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award (2023, national)
- ProfiTech Hackathon 3rd Place (2021, global)
- Game of Apps Championships Season 1 Winner (2018, provincial)
- New College Council In-Course Scholarship (2022, 2023)
- Dean's List Scholar (2020-2024)