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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Computer Science | University of Texas at Arlington | Arlington, TX | May 2021 Selected Coursework: Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Neural Networks, Data Mining

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science | Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham | Coimbatore, India | April 2019 Selected Coursework: Intelligent Systems, Natural Language Processing

Recipient of Outstanding Student Award 2019 from Department of Computer Science and Engineering.

EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Researcher | UTA Vision-Learning-Mining Research Lab | Arlington, TX | February 2020 - Present

- Developing an application to perform video classification on Continuous American Sign Language videos using Convolutional RNN & 3D CNN.
- Used VGG-16 & OpenPose to extract features from the videos and GRU to predict the sequence of words with the help of Softmax layer.
- The current version of the application achieved a Top-5 Accuracy of 55.45% on the test WLASL dataset.
- Technology Stack used: TensorFlow, OpenCV, Keras, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, NumPy, SciPy, Pickle

Undergraduate Student Researcher | Amrita Machine Learning Lab | Coimbatore, India | June 2018 - July 2019

- Developed an application to predict rainfall in Indian districts using district-wise location-based analysis to increase the EVS by 10%.
- District and State rainfall data modeled using regression algorithms such as Decision Tree, Polynomial, Random Forest, & XGBoost, and combined results using ensemble techniques such as Stacking. The final hybrid ensemble regression model achieved an EVS of 0.911.
- Technology Stack used: Pandas, NumPy, SciPy, Scikit-Learn, Collections, Matplotlib, Itertools
- Publications: bit.ly/rainfall_1_publication, bit.ly/rainfall_2_publication. GitHub: bit.ly/rainfall_1_git, bit.ly/rainfall_2_git.

SKILLS

Proficient: Python, C, SQL | TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, NumPy, Pandas, Pickle, Matplotlib | Git, GitHub | Latex

Intermediate: C++, Java | PyTorch, Caffe, SciPy, OpenCV, Flask, Multiprocessing | Docker

PROJECTS

POS-Tagging based Neural Machine Translation | University of Texas at Arlington | July 2020 - Present

- Developed an application for translating text entered by the user from a European language (Spanish/French/German) to & from English.
- Used Multiprocessing package for faster preprocessing of the 20M rows Paracrawl dataset. Implemented Luong Attention-based Bidirectional Stacked LSTM Seq2Seq model & Transformer model algorithms for building and training the neural network model for 200K iterations.
- The English-Spanish Transformer model achieved a state-of-the-art BLEU score of 44.673 and METEOR score of 68.43 on the testing dataset.
- Technology Stack used: TensorFlow, Keras, Flask, Multi-processing, Scikit-Learn, Pickle. GitHub: bit.ly/lang_trans_github.

Captioning of Images using Luong Attention | UTA Human Data Interaction Lab | November 2020

- · Architected a TensorFlow-based application for predicting captions of an image given by the user.
- Used SentencePiece tokenizer to tokenize the target captions, InceptionV3 network to extract features from the image, Luong Attention for extracting nuances from the target captions, LSTM for predicting the sequence of words. Reduced the model's loss to 0.628 on the test set.
- Technology Stack used: TensorFlow, OpenCV, NumPy, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, Keras, Flask. (Links: bit.ly/caption_git, bit.ly/caption_medium).

COVID-19 Social Distancing Violation Detection using Neural Networks | University of Texas at Arlington | September 2020

- Built an application for detecting the social distancing violation in a given area or a user-given video.
- Used YoloV3 Object Detection Neural Network for detecting people in a frame & used SciPy Spatial Distance function for calculating the real-world distance between 2 bounding boxes and generated alert when distance < 6 ft.
- Technology Stack used: TensorFlow, OpenCV, SciPy, NumPy.

COVID-19 Face Mask Detection using Neural Networks | University of Texas at Arlington | August 2020

- Architected a face-detection module using the ImageNet weights for detecting faces in a video.
- Converted detected faces into 128-byte Encoding, used face_encoding to compare faces and extract distinctive faces.
- Developed a face mask classifier using Convolutional Neural Network. The model produced an accuracy of 0.86.
- Technology Stack used: Face_Recognition, OpenCV, NumPy. (Links: bit.ly/covid_face_git).

Personalized System for Human Gym Activity Recognition using an RGB Camera | UTA Heracleia Human-Centered Computing Lab. | February 2020

- Led the team to develop a personalized system capable of recognizing a list of gym activities & providing feedback on the correctness of the joint movement in the workout along with the number of repetitions performed by the user with the help of android application.
- Recorded videos to create dataset, used OpenPose to extract pose-information, and used Random Forest to classify the gym activities.
- Implemented repetition counter module and correctness of workout module using Local Minima analysis & Dynamic Time Warping. The Random Forest model attained an accuracy of 98.98% on the test set.
- Technology Stack used: Scikit-Learn, Caffe, OpenCV, NumPy, Django, Flask. (GitHub: bit.ly/gym_git, Publication: bit.ly/gym_publication).