Pradyot Prakash

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EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-Madison), Madison, WI, USA

Sep 2017 - Ongoing

MS in Computer Science

4.0/4.0

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT Bombay), Mumbai, India

Jul 2013 - May 2017

B.Tech. with Honors in Computer Science and Engineering with Minor in Statistics

9.26/10

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Facebook, Menlo Park, CA, USA

Summer 2018

Software Engineering Intern, Ads Ranking

- Worked on the prediction models used within Ads Product Ranking to improve the product placement on the feed
- One of the models I worked on is currently in production and serving global ads traffic

Adobe Research Labs, Bengaluru, India

Summer 2016

Research Intern

- Built a model for predicting Brands' Personality along 5 personality dimensions using articles published by companies
- Outperformed state-of-the-art accuracies by 19% in the best case and patent (retrieve here) approved and filed by Adobe

IST Austria, Klosterneuburg, Austria

Summer 2015

Research Intern

- Researched Hybrid Systems and hybridizing a single-state to a multi-state system governed by time-based splitting rules
- Paper published in HSCC 2016 (retrieve here)

RECENT KEY PROJECTS

Breaking Robust Adversarial Classification (retrieve here)

Spring 2018

Under Prof. Dimitris Papailiopoulos, UW-Madison

- Robust Manifold Defense is state-of-the-art adversarial classification algorithm which works by projecting on the space of GANs
- Developed the first algorithm to break the classifier & brought down the classification accuracy by 35% (more work in progress)

Fuzzy Iterative Machine Teaching (retrieve here)

Spring 2018

Under Prof. Jerry Zhu, UW-Madison

- Studied the inverse problem of ML--Machine Teaching--where the aim is to learn a target parameter vector in minimum steps
- Derived robust bounds for the minimum steps needed to converge under noisy and missing data settings for different losses

Autoencoders & Generative Adversarial Modeling

Spring 2018

Under Prof. Rebecca Willett, UW-Madison

- Implemented autoencoders and generative adversarial nets for MRI image denoising
- Worked on a unique approach to invert a neural network using Neumann series in operator space

GPU profiling of Deep learning frameworks (retrieve here)

Fall 2017

Under Prof. Aditya Akella, UW-Madison

• Analyzed deep learning libraries using their intermediate representations (with ONNX) and profiled their GPU performances

Effect of Segmentation and Encoding on Machine Translation

2016 - 2017

Under Prof. Pushpak Bhattacharyya, IIT Bombay

- Improved transliteration and translation with use of pivot-based modeling, byte-pair encoding and orthographic syllabification
- Paper published at IJCNLP 2017 (retrieve here)

Statistical Shape Analysis of Images (retrieve <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>)

2016 - 2017

Under Prof. Suyash Awate, IIT Bombay

- Created a similarity measure between images and their contours alongside a novel objective function
- Used that to segment MRI images (with a shape prior) by performing Riemannian PCA on high dimensional unit spheres

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Coding: C++, Python, Java, C, Prolog, SQL, MATLAB, R, Bash, LaTeX
- Python packages: Tensorflow, pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn, matplotlib

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- Department Academic Mentorship Program Head for CS and Institute Academic Mentor, IIT Bombay (2016 2017)
- Lead the Web and Coding Club of IIT Bombay (2015 2016)
- Secured All India Rank 55 in JEE Advanced out of 150000 and All India Rank 16 in JEE Main out of 1.5 million students (2013)
- Won several awards in Hackathons (one organized by Microsoft) and Logic Championships organized at IIT Bombay (2014 2016)
- Recipient of the Young Scientist Incentive Programme (KVPY) National Fellowship (2012)