Purva Tendulkar

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RESEARCH Vision and Language, Creative AI,

INTERESTS Machine Learning, Reinforcement Learning

EDUCATION School of Interactive Computing, Georgia Tech 2018-Present

M.S. in Computer Science Advised by Prof. Devi Parikh

CGPA: 4.0/4.0

College of Engineering Pune (COEP)

2014-2018

B.Tech. in Computer Science

CGPA: 9.14/10.0

& PREPRINTS

PUBLICATIONS SQuINTing at VQA Models: Interrogating VQA Models with Sub-Questions arXiv 2019 (Under Review)

R. Selvaraju, P. Tendulkar, D. Parikh, E. Horvitz, M. Ribeiro, B. Nushi, E. Kamar

Trick or TReAT: Thematic Reinforcement for Artistic Typography International Conference on Computational Creativity (ICCC) 2019 (Oral)

P. Tendulkar, K. Krishna, R. Selvaraju, D. Parikh

AWARDS & RECOGNITION Winner: Best Presentation Award at ICCC 2019

Recipient: Pratibha Eaton Excellence Award for women engineering students (2017) Finalist: Computer and Science Quiz organized by Computer Society of India (2011)

Recipient: Maharashtra Talent Search Award (2009)

RELEVANT COURSES

Graduate Coursework

• Deep Learning • Machine Learning • Computer Vision

• Introduction to Graduate Algorithms

Selected Undergraduate Coursework

- Natural Language Processing Linear Algebra
- Experimental Design and Data Analysis Data Structures
- Design and Analysis of Algorithms Discrete Structures and Graph Theory
- Computer Algorithms in Signal Processing Advanced Unix Programming

EXPERIENCE

AiBee Corp, Palo Alto

May 2019-Aug 2019

Research Intern, mentored by Chunhui Gu and Juan Carlos Niebles

Understanding and detecting events in videos and understanding intentions based on trajectories.

Visual Intelligence Lab, Georgia Tech

Aug 2019-May 2020

Research Assistant, mentored by Prof. Devi Parikh

Conducting research in creative AI applications such as "Google doodle" generation, and teaching RL agents to dance.

CPS Research Group, NTU

May 2018-Aug 2018

Research Assistant, mentored by Prof. Arvind Easwaran

Studied and modeled some well-known attacks on existing Cyber Physical Systems.

IIT, Bombay May 2016-Aug 2016

Software Developer, mentored by Prof. Varsha Apte

Worked on EvalPro, a Django webapp being used in the CSE Department of IIT Bombay for handling computer related tests, assignments and automated evaluation.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Dancing Agents

Mentored by Prof. Devi Parikh, Dr. Ani Kembhavi and Abhishek Das

We explore the design of primitive reward functions that can lead to the emergence of interesting dance in an RL agent, given an input signal like music. We analyse the minimum number of specifications required to generate interesting dance and explore notions of creativity in dance.

Blind Image Dehazing

Mentored by Yuval Bahat and Kalpesh Krishna

Implemented the ICCP 2016 paper Blind Image Dehazing Using Internal Patch Recurrence. Improvised the method for selecting pairs of image patches for blind dehazing as compared to the original brute force method. Achieved approximately 20x better speed for optimization in PyTorch as compared to the original MATLAB implementation.

REFERENCES

- Prof. Devi Parikh, Georgia Tech (email: parikh@gatech.edu)
- Dr. Aniruddha Kembhavi, AI2 (email: anik@allenai.org)
- Dr. Chunhui Gu, AiBee Corp. (email: chgu@aibee.com)
- Dr. Juan Carlos Niebles, Stanford University (email: jniebles@cs.stanford.edu)
- Prof. Arvind Easwaran, NTU (email: arvinde@ntu.edu.sg)