Paul Rademacher

Summary

Statistical learning researcher with theoretical focus and software skill to implement novel algorithms. Passionate about open source, reproducible AI/ML research. Topics of interest include Bayesian inference, statistical signal processing, reinforcement learning, and optimization.

Education

2013-Present **Doctor of Philosophy**, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Electrical Engineering, GPA - 4.0

2010–2011 Master of Engineering, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

Electrical and Computer Engineering, GPA - 3.6, Cum Laude

2006–2010 Bachelor of Science, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

Electrical and Computer Engineering, GPA - 3.0, Minor in Engineering Management

Experience

Vocational

2011-Present **Electronics Engineer**, U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D.C.

Radar Division, Advanced Signal Processing Section

- Designed supervised/reinforcement learning algorithms and Python software packages for cognitive resource management
- Generalized the Viterbi algorithm for Markov processes of any order, developed a computationally efficient implementation
- Used deep learning to implement sequential classifiers for speech recognition using reflected radar transmissions
- Researched novel Bayesian learning functions to enable consistent model estimation with maximally flexible regularization
- Developed automatic target identification software, including feature extractors and ensemble decision functions

2009 Engineering Intern, Northrop Grumman Corporation, Melville, N.Y.

Wrote MATLAB programs to perform pulse-Doppler analysis of corrupted test data and automate repairs

Computer skills

Programming Python, MATLAB

Development Git, LATEX

Libraries PyTorch, Tensorflow, Gym, Scikit-Learn, Numpy, SciPy, Pandas

Distinctions

- Recipient of George Washington University High Academic Performance Award
- Recipient of Cornell University John McMullen Dean's Scholarship
- Recipient of National Merit Scholarship from Northop Grumman Corporation

Select Publications

- [1] Paul Rademacher and Miloš Doroslovački. Bayesian learning for classification using a uniform dirichlet prior. In 2019 IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GlobalSIP), pages 1–5, 2019.
- [2] Paul Rademacher and Miloš Doroslovački. Predictive distribution estimation for bayesian machine learning using a dirichlet process prior. In *2019 53rd Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers*, pages 1941–1945, 2019.
- [3] Paul Rademacher and Kevin Wagner. Efficient bayesian sequential classification under the markov assumption for various loss functions. *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, 27:401–405, 2020.
- [4] Paul Rademacher and Miloš Doroslovački. Bayesian learning for regression using dirichlet prior distributions of varying localization. In *2021 IEEE Statistical Signal Processing Workshop (SSP)*, pages 236–240, 2021.