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Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Computer Sciences, PhD
Minor in Statistics

Madison, WI
2014-Present

Computer Sciences, MS (3.60 GPA)

2014-2016

- Advisors: Vikas Singh and Michael Newton
- Research in Machine Learning and Computer Vision
- Fellow in the NIH T32 Bio-Data Science Predoctoral Training Program through the Biostatistics and Medical Informatics Department.
- Relevant Coursework: Artificial Intelligence, Advanced Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Statistical Inference, Linear and Nonlinear Optimization, Graphical Models, Stochastic Processes, Computational Statistics

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

Computer Engineering, B.S.E. (3.44 GPA)

Ann Arbor, MI
2010-2014

- Coursework: Autonomous Robotics, Design of Microprocessor-based Systems, Embedded Control Systems, Design and Manufacturing, Control Systems Analysis and Design, Data Structures and Algorithms, Operating Systems

Experience

Computer Sciences Department, UW-Madison Research Assistant and Fellow

2015-Present

- Collaborating with Vikas Singh and others on machine learning and computer vision projects.

Computer Sciences Department, UW-Madison CS 760: Machine Learning Teaching Assistant

Spring 2015

- Developed and assigned written and programming homework assignments
- Held office hours and provided general teaching support.

EECS Department, UM-Ann Arbor EECS 373: Embedded Systems Teaching Assistant

Spring 2014

- Led laboratory sections and held lab office hours.
- Assisted students with lab assignments and course projects.

Continental Automotive Systems Business Unit Transmission: Embedded Software Engineering Intern

Deer Park, IL Summer 2013

- Developed an application to randomly test multiple features of a transmission control module in parallel using NI LabView and NI bench-testing hardware.
- Identified known bugs from previous software releases through extended test runs.
- Gained extensive knowledge of automated testing and embedded software systems.

Publications

Provably Robust Image Deconvolution via Mirror Descent

Sathya Ravi, Ronak Mehta, Vikas Singh.

Under Review, 2018. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.08137>

Sampling-free Uncertainty Estimation in Gated Recurrent Units with Exponential Families

Seong Jae Hwang, Ronak Mehta, Vikas Singh.

Under Review, 2018. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.07351>

Finding Differentially Covarying Needles in a Temporally Evolving Haystack: A Scan Statistics Perspective

Ronak Mehta, Hyunwoo J. Kim, Shulei Wang, Sterling C. Johnson, Vikas Singh.

Under Review, 2017. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.07575>

Talks and Presentations

MCVW 2018. Presented a poster on Provably Robust Image Deconvolution via Mirror Descent at the *Midwest Computer Vision Workshop 2018*.

BMI Training Presentations Fall 2017. Presented work on measuring uncertainty in recurrent neural networks, with applications to neuroimaging for the Biostatistics and Medical Informatics Training Seminar.

AIRG Fall 2017. Presented and lead a discussion on variational inference for the AI Reading Group.

AIRG/EA Madison Fall 2017. Presented and lead a discussion on existential risk and AI Safety for AIRG and Effective Altruism Madison.

BMI Training Presentations Spring 2016. Presented final work on identifying second-order trends in high-dimensional temporal data for the BMI Training seminar.

AIRG Fall 2016. Presented and lead a discussion on stability and generalization.

BMI Training Presentations Fall 2016. Presented preliminary work on identifying second-order trends in high-dimensional temporal data for the BMI Training seminar.

AIRG Fall 2015. Presented and lead a discussion on the graphical lasso, and inverse covariance estimation.

AIRG Spring 2015. Presented and lead a discussion on Recurrent Neural Networks.

Technical Skills

Programming Languages: Python (Tensorflow), R, C++, MATLAB, Julia, HTML/JavaScript

Document Generation: \LaTeX , Keynote, MS Office Suite