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Education

University of Claude Bernard | Polytech Lyon — Lyon, France
Master II in Medical Device Engineering — Fall 2024-Present
Excellence Scholarship Recipient (**10,000€**)
Courses: MRI, Segmentation & Registration, ML/AI in Medical Images, Image Reconstruction & Inverse Problems

K.N. Toosi University of Technology — Tehran, Iran
4 Year Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering — 2018-2023
Concentration: Biomedical Engineering
GPA: 16.33/20 (Last two years: 17.29/20)
Courses: Statistical Pattern Recognition, Signals & Systems

Research Interests

- MRI
- PET
- Functional Imaging
- Medical Image Segmentation
- Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Health

Research Experience

Estimation of Image-Derived Input Function in Dynamic Brain PET Imaging — Lyon, France
CERMEP — November 2024-Present

- Conducted a state-of-the-art literature review
- Conducted pre-processing steps on MRI and PET images to ensure data quality and consistency
- Developed a robust segmentation algorithm for accurate extraction of internal carotid arteries from MR angiography images
- Implemented different Partial Volume Correction algorithms for obtaining accurate input function
- Evaluated method performance across multiple datasets using various PET quantification models

Interactive and Intelligent Tissue Boundary Segmentation Tool — Tehran, Iran
MVMIP, KNTU — Spring-Summer 2023

- Developed a Python-based medical image analysis software, from scratch utilizing Python, VTK, and PyQt libraries
- Implemented multiple interactive tools (ruler, shapes, and text insertion tools)
- Developed an image processing algorithm for tissue boundary detection and integrated it in a smart interactive scissor tool for fast semi-automatic tissue segmentation
- Enabled users to import custom plugins to extend the functionality of the software based on their needs
- Successfully shipped the software for Linux and Windows operating systems

Skills

- **Programming:** Python, C++, CMake, Bash, MATLAB, QML
- **Software and Tools:** GNU/Linux, Git, FMRIB FSL, NiftyReg, dcm2niix, TCCPLIB
- **Libraries:** Tensorflow, PyTorch, NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, ITK, VTK, Qt, PyQt
- **Languages:** Persian (Native), English (TOEFL: **Overall: 101/120, R: 27, L:27, S:23, R:24**), French (Beginner-A2)

Projects

Image-based Persian and English Character Sequence Recognition using Recurrent Convolutional Neural Networks(RCNN) — Winter 2023

- Implemented the network based on a paper using the Tensorflow library in Python
- Synthesized images of Persian text of different variety

- Applied data augmentation techniques such as rotating, translating, adding distortion, and adding noise to images
- Successfully trained the model for both languages using the self-made synthesized Persian dataset and public English datasets
- Achieved +85% accuracy for both languages

Exploring Possibility of Alzheimer's Disease Detection using Deep Neural Network based on fMRI Functional Connectivity Maps and Time-series Data Fall 2022-Winter 2023

- Pre-processed and processed raw fMRI and MRI data from the ADNI database using the FSL library to extract time-series data to calculate functional connectivity maps of the subjects' brains
- Studied the previous works on this subject to find the gap
- Experimented with RCNN & CNN networks using Tensorflow to extract temporal and spatial features from images
- Gained hands-on experience with image pre-processing, neural network architecture, and deep learning principles
- Although a full model was not achieved, a lot of experience and insight were gained into medical imaging and deep learning concepts deep learning concepts

Automated fMRI Pre-processing and Time-series Extraction Pipeline for Large Datasets using FSL in Python Summer 2022

- Implemented brain extraction from structural reference MR image
- Implemented fMRI pre-processing including motion correction, slice timing correction, spatial smoothing, and co-registration
- Implemented atlas-based ROI time-series extraction
- Enabled parallel processing to accelerate computation for large datasets
- Utilized the program for processing fMRI data from the ADNI dataset

The Game of Tetris with a Custom Game Engine Using OpenGL in C++ Spring 2022

- Developed a custom 2D graphics renderer completely from scratch using the OpenGL graphics API in C++
- Implemented user input handling, navigatable menus, and text rendering capabilities to the engine
- Designed and implemented the game of Tetris using the said engine in Object Oriented C++

Work Experience

NTH Tehran, Iran
Junior C++ & QML Developer Oct 2023-July 2024

- Designed and developed a modern interface using the Qt Framework's QML language
- Built and optimized backend logic in C++ to handle large volumes of data efficiently

TECVICO Vancouver, Canada (Remote)
Medical Image Visualization Software (Freelance Project) Summer 2023

- Created a Python-based medical analysis software focusing on user-friendliness and user experience
- Designed and implemented a workflow user interface for bioinformatics analysis and processing using the Qt framework
- Worked with a team of engineers to integrate various machine learning algorithms into the workflow
- Designed and integrated a medical image visualizer using VTK
- Integrated multiple visualization tools and pipelines such as colormaps, image thresholding and interactive segmentation

Razeq Co. Tehran, Iran
Electronics Engineer Internship Summer 2021

- Implemented smart presence detection and remote-control support for the monitor stand in Valiasr Street Museum