Shamak Dutta

Academic Positions

May 2024 - **Postdoctoral Scholar**, *University of Waterloo*, Canada.

now Advisors: Yash Pant & Stephen L. Smith

Education

April 2024 PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Waterloo, Canada.

Advisor: Stephen L. Smith

Faculty of Engineering Award, Electrical and Computer Engineering (\$1.5k) (2023)

Graduate Research Dissemination Award, Faculty of Engineering (2023)

University of Waterloo Graduate Scholarship (\$1.2k) (2022)

Teaching Assistant Award, Faculty of Engineering (2021)

Thesis: Resource Constrained Linear Estimation in Sensor Scheduling & Informative Path Planning

August 2019 Masters in Systems Design Engineering, University of Waterloo, Canada.

April 2017 Bachelors in Computer Engineering, University of Waterloo, Canada.

Advisors: Bryan Tripp & Graham Taylor

Vector Institute Research Award (\$4k) (2018, 2019)

University of Waterloo Graduate Scholarship (\$1k) (2019) International Master's Student Award (\$6.5k) (2018, 2019)

Thesis: Correlated Noise in Deep Convolutional Neural Networks

Engineering International Student Scholarship (\$20k) (2013)

President's Scholarship of Distinction (\$2k) (2013)

President's Research Award (\$1.5k) (2015)

GPA: 3.7/4.0 (Distinction)

Publications & Preprints

2023 A Unified Approach to Optimally Solving Sensor Scheduling and Sensor Selection Problems in Kalman Filtering.

S. Dutta, N. Wilde, S. L. Smith

62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), 2023.

2023 Approximation Algorithms for Robot Tours in Random Fields with Guaranteed **Estimation Accuracy**.

S. Dutta, N. Wilde, P. Tokekar, S. L. Smith

International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2023

2022 Informative Path Planning in Random Fields via Mixed Integer Programming.

S. Dutta, N. Wilde, S. L. Smith

61st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), 2022.

2022 An Improved Greedy Algorithm for Subset Selection in Linear Estimation.

S. Dutta, N. Wilde, S. L. Smith

20th European Control Conference (ECC), 2022.

2018 Convolutional Neural Networks Regularized by Correlated Noise.

S. Dutta, B. Tripp, G. Taylor

15th Canadian Conference on Computer and Robot Vision (CRV), 2018.

2016 Barcodes for Medical Image Retrieval Using Autoencoded Radon Transform.

H. Tizhoosh, C. Mitcheltree, S. Zhu, and S. Dutta

23rd International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR), 2016.

Research Experience

2018 **Research Intern**, *Preferred Networks*, Tokyo, Japan.

Advisors: Shunta Saito & Masaki Saito

Scene prediction/generation using generative-adversarial networks.

2017 **Research Intern**, Latent Logic (now Waymo), Oxford, United Kingdom.

Advisors: Joao Messias & Shimon Whiteson

3D pose estimation from 2D video.

2016 Research Intern, Amazon Search, Palo Alto, USA.

Advisors: Bing Yin & Erick Cantu-Paz

Ranking search queries on Amazon.com using MLPs.

2016 Undergraduate Student, Adaptive Systems Lab, University of Waterloo, Canada.

Advisor: Dana Kulic

Regression methods for human motion prediction.

2016 Undergraduate Student, University of Waterloo, Canada.

Advisor: Stephen L. Smith

Heuristics for the Generalized Traveling Salesman Problem.

2015 Undergraduate Student, KIMIA Lab, University of Waterloo, Canada.

Advisor: Hamid Tizhoosh

Image compression and retrieval.

Internships

- 2018 Research Intern, Preferred Networks, Tokyo, Japan.
- 2017 Research Intern, Latent Logic (now Waymo), Oxford, UK.
- 2016 Research Intern, Amazon Search, Palo Alto, USA.
- 2016 **Software Engineer Intern**, Amazon Advertising, Palo Alto, USA.
- 2015 Software Engineer Intern, Lookout Security, San Francisco, USA.
- 2014 Software Engineer Intern, Avvasi, Waterloo, Canada.
- 2014 **Software Engineer Intern**, Achievers Inc., Toronto, Canada.
- 2013 **Software Engineer Intern**, pVelocity, Toronto, Canada.

Teaching Experience

- 2023 **Teaching Assistant**, Algorithms & Data Structures (ECE 250). Student rating: 4.83/5
- 2022 **Teaching Assistant**, Probability Theory & Stats II (ECE 307). Student rating: 5/5
- 2022 **Teaching Assistant**, Probability Theory & Stats I (ECE 203). Student rating: 4.67/5
- 2022 **Teaching Assistant**, Algorithm Design & Analysis (ECE 406). Student rating: 5/5
- 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, Probability Theory & Stats II (ECE 307). Student rating: 4.95/5
- 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, Algorithms & Data Structures (ECE 250). Student rating: 4.88/5

2020 **Teaching Assistant**, Algorithm Design & Analysis (ECE 406).

Student rating: 4.71/5

Academic Service

Conference Reviewing: Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), American Control Conference (ACC).

Courses (credit or audit)

UW (Graduate): Intro. to Optimization (J. Geelen), Convex Analysis & Optimization (H. Wolkowicz), Continuous Optimization (L. Tuncel), Combinatorial Optimization (C. Swamy), Functional Analysis (G. Tran), Stochastic Processes (W. Zhuang), Estimation & Hypothesis Testing (L. Zeng), Optimal Control (N. Azad), Stochastic Control (S. Smith), Model Predictive Control (Y. Pant), Computational Neuroscience (B. Tripp).

UW (Bachelors): Machine Learning (P. Poupart), Pattern Recognition (A. Wong), Quantum Mechanics (M. Reimer), Probability Theory (R. Mazumder), Robotics & Control (D. Kulic), Adaptive Algorithms (O. Basir), Computer Networks (S. Naik), Analog Communications (W. Zhuang), Analog Control (S. Smith), Compilers (V. Ganesh), Discrete Math (M. Pei).