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Education

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	2021–Present
Ph.D., Machine Learning	GPA: 4.0/4.0
<i>Advisors: Jacob Abernethy and Vidya Muthukumar</i>	
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	2017–2021
B.S., Applied and Computational Mathematics, <i>magna cum laude</i>	GPA: 3.73/4.0
Skills: Python, TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, C++, Linux CLI, Git, Vim, \LaTeX	

Selected Publications

1. **Tyler LaBonte**, Yale Song, Xin Wang, Vibhav Vineet, and Neel Joshi. Scaling Novel Object Detection with Weakly Supervised Detection Transformers. In *Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)*, 2023. Preliminary version in *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2022 Workshop on Attention and Transformers in Vision*.
2. **Tyler LaBonte**, Vidya Muthukumar, and Abhishek Kumar. Dropout Disagreement: A Recipe for Group Robustness with Fewer Annotations. In *Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2022. Workshop on Distribution Shifts.

Industry Research Experience

MICROSOFT RESEARCH	Redmond, WA
<i>Machine Learning Research Intern</i>	2021–2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Developed Transformer model for weakly supervised object detection with multiple instance learning.– Achieved object detection performance within 2% of fully-annotated benchmarks using only class labels.– Created Bing-based workflow to automate training dataset creation, accelerating model development by 4\times.– Integrated pipeline into production system, enabling rapid delivery of new Windows Action Center capability.	
GOOGLE X	Mountain View, CA
<i>Machine Learning Research Intern</i>	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Invented CNN-LSTM for temporal identity preservation in multiple object tracking for computational agriculture.– Developed self-supervised method to extract novel time-series features from agricultural video imagery.– Presented results to Google executives, who approved an FTE hire to deploy my research to production systems.	
SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES	Albuquerque, NM
<i>Machine Learning Research Intern</i>	2019–2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Invented novel Bayesian CNN deep learning architecture which scales to billion-voxel 3D segmentation volumes.– Enabled error bound calculation for physical properties of graphite electrodes and thermal protection systems.	

Selected Awards

DoD National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship (\$170,000)	2021
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (\$138,000—declined)	2021
USC Discovery Scholar (Research distinction for <100 USC graduates)	2021
USC Trustee Scholar (Full scholarship worth \$250,000)	2017