Utkarsh Patel

Education

May 2023 Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur Kharagpur, India

BTech and MTech in Electronics and Electrical Communication Engineering \mid CGPA 9.48/10 Minor in Computer Science and Engineering

Achievements

- 2022 **Department Rank 1** among the Dual Degree (VIPES) students of the Department of E&ECE
- 2021 Secured Global Rank 70 among 12,000+ contestants in Google Kick Start (Round C)
- 2021 Qualified for Round 2 of Facebook Hacker Cup
- 2019 Secured department change to E&ECE by acquiring 9.69 CGPA at the end of the first year

Research Experience

Feb 2021 – Ad hominem Fallacies in the Wild | Guides: Prof. Mainack Mondal and Prof. Animesh Mukherjee

Ongoing o Implemented explainable models to detect ad hominem fallacies and provide linguistic insight into their triggers

- $\hbox{$\circ$ A chieved state-of-the-art results on sparsely annotated datasets using $\textbf{SS-GAN}$ schema applied over \textbf{BERT} }$
- Performed network studies on the users to understand user dynamics in debate portals and social media sites
- Validated our in-the-wild predictions by performing crowdsourced surveys, achieving macro-F1 up to 0.94
- Aug 2020 Detection of Autism Spectrum Disorder | Guide: Prof. Debasis Samanta
 - Dec 2020 Worked on the ABIDE dataset to extract and process resting-state functional MRI data using nilearn
 - Used correlation-based approach to determine functional connectivity between regions of interest
 - Achieved test accuracy of 0.68 and 0.65 using Support Vector Machines and K-Nearest Neighbors

Projects

- Spring 2022 Defog: Single Image Defogging by Multiscale Depth Fusion C | Computer Vision
 - Implemented inhomogeneous **Laplacian–Markov** random field regularized with smoothing and edge-preservation
 - Used max-flow min-cut algorithm for energy minimization with alpha-beta swap for depth map estimation
- Winter 2021 Facebook Scraper 🗘 | Web Scraping
 - o Developed a web crawler to scrape posts, comments and replies from public Facebook pages
 - Used selenium to automate the browsing and Beautiful Soup for parsing the page source
 - Fall 2021 Jarvis: Chatbot for Customer Support O | Natural Language Processing
 - o Implemented a Seq2Seq architecture based chatbot with Luong attention mechanism in PyTorch
 - Trained the model on Customer Support on Twitter dataset with teacher forcing and gradient clipping
 - Fall 2021 User Authentication using Keystroke Dynamics 🗘 | Machine Learning
 - o Implemented an Artificial Neural Network to authenticate users using keystroke dynamics of their mood data
 - o Extracted hold time and latency values for different keys and used them as feature vectors for classification
- Spring 2021 **Create-Debate Scraper (7)** *Web Scraping*
 - Developed a web crawler to scrape all the debates from CreateDebate.com using Beautiful Soup
 - Used NetworkX to construct graphs representing the nested structure of the comments in the threads
- Winter 2020 Targeted Aspect-based Sentiment Analysis 🗘 | Natural Language Processing
 - Transformed the task to sentence-pair classification by constructing auxiliary sentences from target-aspect pairs
 - Fine-tuned BERT on SentiHood dataset, achieved aspect F1-score 0.90 and sentiment AUC 0.98

Technical Skills

C/C++ (Proficient), Python (Proficient), SQL, Git, Bash, MATLAB

Relevant Coursework

Algorithms, Computer Architecture, Operating Systems, Computer Networks, Database Management Systems, Probability and Stochastic Processes, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing