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Providence, RI (willing to relocate)

SUMMARY

- Seeking a data scientist position in which I would contribute to the success of a business
- Applied Mathematics Ph.D. with 10+ years experience in programming
- Specialized in data classification and statistical image analysis
- Analyzing large data to develop an image compression algorithm that achieves the best compression rate

TECHNICAL SKILLS

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| Statistics | Mathematical statistics, regression, Bayesian analysis, MCMC, information theory |
| Machine Learning | Classification, decision tree, random forest, deep learning, SVM, graphical model |
| Image analysis | Compression, denoising, 3D reconstruction, pattern recognition |
| Programming | Proficient with: Python, Matlab, Latex Experienced with: C/C++(Eclipse), Amazon EC2, R, CUDA |
| Operating system | Windows, Linux |

EDUCATION

Brown University, Providence, RI Sep 2010 - May 2017
Ph.D. Applied Mathematics (GPA: 3.9/4.0)

- Dissertation: Image Compression and Data Clustering: New Takes on Some Old Problems
- Advisor: Stuart Geman

National Taiwan University, Taiwan Sep 2005 - Aug 2006
M.Sc. Mathematics/Track of Statistics (GPA: 3.8/4.0)

- Advisor Ming-Yen Cheng

National Taiwan University, Taiwan Sep 2000 - Mar 2004
B.A. Economics (GPA: 3.8/4.0)

PAPERS

- **W.-Y. Wang** and S. Geman, "Comparison Based Image Compression." In progress.
 - A novel lossless image compression scheme with analytic performance guarantees
 - Outperforming state-of-the-art algorithms in bit-per-pixel results
 - Implemented with Amazon cloud (EC2) parallel computing (in C and Python) on 80 million image patches (~3.6GB)
- **W.-Y. Wang** and S. Geman, "Robust Generalized Clustering." In progress.
 - A highly robust unsupervised data clustering algorithm which fits multiple structures (even when data is 70% of corrupted)
 - Approximating an NP-hard problem with a modified backward selection procedure
 - Implemented in C and Python (by ctypes module)

PROJECTS

Clustering to Shapes

- An iterative PCA method for clustering high dimensional data into descriptive manifolds
- Capable of obtaining complicated structures, like spiral-shaped data, in a short amount of time

Improving 3D Stereo Data with Markov Random Field

- Reduce the mismatching problem when reconstructing 3D images from stereo data
- Applying conjugate gradient to speed up the procedure and obtaining a smooth reconstruction

Parts-Based Object Detector

- Image recognition with a hierarchical generative parts model
- 95% accuracy with 10% type I error when data is extremely corrupted (by adding Gaussian noise with variance equals the maximum pixel intensity).
- Implemented with a C++ mex file in Matlab

3D Reconstruction with Structured Light

- Reconstructing a 3D image with a camera and structured light from a projector
- Obtaining a high resolution 3D image in a split second

Statistical Analysis of Non-homogeneous Earthquake Data

- Generalizing kernel density estimation on non-homogeneous Poisson process to analyze aftershocks data
- Reducing the bias of misspecified model without boundary effect

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Brown university

Sep 2016

Teaching Assistant on: Probabilities in Quantum Mechanics

- Topics: tensor representation, observable, entanglement, and quantum teleportation

Brown university

2011 - 2012

Teaching Assistant on: Statistical Inference

- Topics: statistical models, point estimator, ANOVA, hypothesis test, and regression

Academia Sinica, Institute of Mathematics, Taiwan

2008 - 2010

Research Assistant

- Utilizing PCA to build an image prior for denoising. Implemented with convolution operations on CUDA (speed up by 300%) in Matlab, made it possible to estimate parameters
- Instructing 20+ lectures on topics of signal analysis: wavelets and multi resolution

EMPLOYMENT

Military Service, Taiwan

2007 - 2008

Coastal Patrol Corporal

- Leading about 50 troopers patrolling coastal areas

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Sigma Xi National Nomination, Brown University, 2016-2017
- University Fellowship, Brown University, 2010-2017