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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Engineering

September 2018 - Present

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ GPA: 4.0/4.33

Advisor: Professor Visar Berisha

Research interests: Model robustness and label-efficient learning

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

September 2015 - December 2017

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX GPA: 3.7/4.0

Advisor: Professor Jim Ji

Research interests: Deep learning in histological image segmentation

Bachelor of Science in Electronic Information Science and Technology September 2011 - June 2015

Shandong University, P.R. China Major GPA: 85/100

Research interests: Image processing in image dehazing and filtering

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C++, Matlab

Libraries: Tensorflow, PyTorch

SELECTED PROJECTS

Finding the homology of decision boundaries with active learning

January 2020 - Present

Outcomes: One paper submitted to NeurIPS'20. Python and Matlab were used.

· For the first time, we proposed to find the homology of decision boundaries with active learning. Furthermore, we analyzed the complexity of the proposed learning algorithm in the framework of the probably approximately correct learning.

Structural label smoothing for deep model regularization September 2018 - December 2019 Outcomes: One paper accepted to AISTATS'20 [Paper link]. Pytorch and Python were used.

· By acquiring the meta-knowledge from the data, we modified the original label smoothing and developed a novel structural label smoothing. This new regularization method, experimented in diversed classification tasks such as CIFAR-10, CIFAR-100 and SVHN, outperforms the original label smoothing by 2% accuracy.

Multi-view 3D object detection network for autonomous driving November 2017 - December 2017 Outcomes: Reproduced the results of a CVPR'17 paper [Project link]. Tensorflow and Python were used.

· I processed the raw LIDAR point cloud and prepared it for the model training. I built an object detection deep network called MV3D with Tensorflow. This is a deep network composed of two subnetworks to receive the LIDAR and RGB image data.

Noise-tolerant deep learning for image segmentation

January 2016 - December 2017

Outcomes: One paper accepted to ICIP'17 [Paper link]. Tensorflow and Python were used.

· We innovatively developed a deep network resistant to label-noise for histological image segmentation. The proposed network was applied to identify the Duchenne muscular dystrophy in histological images and achieved the clinicians satisfied segmentation results.

The effects of image dehazing on image compression

Dec 2014 - May 2015

Outcomes: Undergraduate thesis. One paper accepted to the journal THS [Paper link]. Matlab was used.

· We compared three image filters: median filter, non-local means filter and bilateral filter for their performance on a chained application of image dehazing and JPEG image compression. Furthermore, we developed a noise removal algorithm to diminish the blocking artifacts for the chained application and theoretically demonstrated the usefulness of the algorithm.

PUBLICATIONS

- W. Li, G. Dasarathy, K. Ramamurthy, V. Berisha, "Finding the Homology of Decision Boundaries with Active Learning", submitted to NeurIPS'20
- W. Li, G. Dasarathy, V. Berisha, "Regularization via Structural Label Smoothing", AISTATS'20
- C. Tsai, W. Li, X. Qian, Y. Lin, "Image Co-saliency Detection and Co-segmentation via Progressive Joint Optimization", IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (TIP), 28(1), 56-71.
- W. Li, X. Qian, and J. Ji, "Noise-tolerant Deep Learning for Histopathological Image Segmentation", In Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2017.
- L. Wang, X. Zhou, C. Wang and W. Li, "The Effects of Image Dehazing Methods Using Dehazing Contrast-Enhancement Filters on Image Compression", KSII Transactions on Internet and Information Systems (TIIS), vol. 10, no. 7, pp. 3245-3271, 2016.

HONORS

Graduate Travel Award from Arizona State University	2020
Engineering Graduate Fellowship from Arizona State University	2018, 2019
Winner of the Research Poster Competition in SWE region C conference	Mar 2017
Graduate Merit Scholarship from Texas A&M University	Aug 2016
Shandong University 3rd-class Scholarship	Oct 2014

ACTIVITIES

Graduate Fulton Ambassadors Jan 2020 - Present Aug 2016

Medical Imaging Summer School: Medical Imaging Meets Machine Learning [Activity link]