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Willing to travel and relocate in USA/US Citizen

Summary

Fourth Year Computer Science PhD student with experience in Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning and Image Processing. Worked on the design of machine learning models to analyze bilingual text from casual and social media conversations. Studied and analyzed bilingual child language to build NLP tools to find syntactic predictors of language impairment. Currently applying machine learning techniques to improve medical image segmentation and medical image synthesis.

EDUCATION

PhD in *Computer Science*, University of Houston (May 2020) GPA 3.65

B.S. in *Computer Science*, University of Puerto Rico at Bayamón (May 2015) GPA 3.67

SKILLS

Knowledgeable in: Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision, Digital Image Processing, Machine Learning, Deep Learning.

Programming Languages: Python, JAVA, C/C++, ASP.NET, VB, C#, SQL.

Communication: Fully Bilingual: written and spoken English and Spanish languages.

EXPERIENCE

Research/Teaching Assistant. University of Houston (2018-present).

- Working with Dr. Nikolaos Tsekos as part of the Medical Robotics Lab.
- Applying machine learning techniques to improve medical image processing tasks such as Medical Image Segmentation and Medical Image Synthesis.
- Integrating Holographics and interactive machine learning to aid surgeons before, during and after surgeries.

Research/Teaching Assistant: University of Houston (2015-2018).

- Worked with Dr. Tamar Solorio as part of the RiTUAL Lab in Natural Language Processing (NLP) research.
- Studied and analyzed the “code-switching” phenomenon where a person will switch between two or more languages during conversation. Focused on English-Spanish code-switching.
- Designed machine learning models to detect different languages in code-switched text and models that apply Part of Speech tags to the text. Developed a Deep Learning model that combined both tasks into one end-to-end model.
- Studied and analyzed child language transcripts to design NLP tools that automatically find syntactic patterns that indicate language impairment in bilingual children.
- Served as Publications and Shared Task chair for the Second Workshop on Computational Approaches to Code Switching (EMNLP 2016).
- Supervised and guided undergraduate students who helped gather and annotate data.
- Used crowdsourcing and manual tools to annotate a large dataset of Twitter data used in the Language Identification in Code-Switched (CS) Data Shared Task (EMNLP 2016).

IT Intern: Cardinal Health, Inc. (2013-2015).

- Worked as an intern in the IT Department.

- Developed software and services that allow more efficient business operations and provide a better end-user experience.
- Developed communication and team-work skills.
- Learned efficient project planning, code review and testing along with the ability to meet required deadlines for software production.

Summer Research Internship: University of Houston-Downtown (Summer 2014).

- Participated in a research project for one summer.
- Worked with Arduino, Android, Kinect, C# and data mining tools to develop a human emotion response system for drivers.
- Practiced team work, literature research and modular integration.

RESEARCH

Overview for the Second Shared Task on Language Identification in Code-Switched Data
Research Paper. *EMLNP 2016*.

Part of Speech Tagging for Code Switched Data

Research Paper. *EMLNP 2016*.

Real Time Embedded Machine Vision System

Research Project. (2014-2015)

Driver's Buddy: Designing A Real-Time, Facial Physiology-Based Feedback System To Improve Driver's Performance

Research Project. (2014)

HONORS/ ACTIVITIES

Competed and reached national finals in ACM-ICPC Programming Competition. (2013, 2014)

Competed at the UPR-Bayamón Annual Programming Competition. (2012, 2013, 2014)

Member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS)