XAVIER THOMAS

OBJECTIVE

Seeking Internship Opportunities for Summer 2024 in the Fields of Machine Learning and Computer Vision Research / Engineering.

EDUCATION

Boston University, Massachusetts, USA

Sep 2023 - May 2025

Master in Science

Artificial Intelligence

Manipal Institute of Technology, Karnataka, India

July 2018 - Aug 2022

Bachelor of Technology

Electronics and Instrumentation, (Minor in Computational Intelligence)

PUBLICATIONS, PREPRINTS, AND WORKING PAPERS

MAViC: Multimodal Active Learning for Video Captioning

Gyanendra Das, Xavier Thomas, Anant Raj, Vikram Gupta | Paper

Diversity vs. Recognizability: Human-like generalization in one-shot generative models

Victor Boutin, Lakshya Singhal, Xavier Thomas, Thomas Serre | Paper | Code

Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022

Adaptive Methods for Aggregated Domain Generalization

Xavier Thomas, Dhruv Mahajan, Alex Pentland, Abhimanyu Dubey | Paper | Code

EXPERIENCE

Boston University Jan 2024 - Present

Teaching Assistant

- Teaching Assistant for CDS DS 598 B1 Deep Learning for Data Science, with Prof. Thomas Gardos Course Website
- Tasked with Conducting the Weekly Discussion Sessions and Pytorch Tutorials

ShareChat July 2022 - June 2023

Machine Learning Engineer Intern | Advisors: Vikram Gupta, Dr. Hisham Cholakkal, Dr. Anant Raj

- Introduced a new Computer Vision feature representation method into production; improved performance on downstream tasks such as classification, content moderation etc.
- · Developed a Web dashboard to create and edit AI Generated content, was used to seed content in ShareChat's platform.
- Engineered and launched Natasha, an AI assistant integrated with ShareChat's messaging service.
- Tech Stack: Python, Streamlit, Django, Docker, Kubernetes, Jenkins, Google Cloud

Searce Inc Jan 2022 - July 2022

Machine Learning Engineer Intern | Certificate

- Developed a Dialogflow ES Chatbot to automate the internal IT helpdesk of a client; automated a variety of use cases ranging from verifying users, unlocking accounts and resetting passwords.
- Tech Stack: Google Dialogflow ES, Google Cloud Functions, Node.js

Serre Lab, Brown University

Sept 2021 - May 2022

Research Intern | Advisors: Dr. Thomas Serre, Dr. Victor Boutin

- · Created a new framework to evaluate one-shot generative models along two axes: sample recognizability vs. diversity
- Conducted a systematic evaluation of representative one-shot generative models against Human performance on the Omniglot handwritten dataset, using this framework.
- Code | Paper

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Jan 2021 - Nov 2021

Research Assistant | Advisors: Dr. Abhimanyu Dubey, Dr. Dhruv Mahajan, Dr. Alex Pentland

- Worked on an algorithm that recovers domain information in an unsupervised manner, by carefully removing class-specific noise from features, which is used to learn a domain-adaptive classifier.
- Obtained improved performance in standard domain generalization datasets such as PACS(+3.4%), VLCS(+2.5%), OfficeHome(+0.5%), DomainNet(+1.9%), and TerraIncognita(+1.7%) etc, compared to ERM.
- Code | Paper

EXTRACURRICULAR

- * The MIT Post Staff Writer Sep 2019 Jan 2020.
 - Contributor FanSided May 2019 Dec 2019
 - * PyData Manipal Core Committee member of PyData's Local Chapter at Manipal.