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Geometric Deep Learning

Large Language Model

AI4Biology/Healthcare



🏛️ EDUCATION

University of Cambridge

Advanced Computer Science, Master of Philosophy (Distinction, Rank: 8/60)

📍 Cambridge, UK

📅 Oct 2024 — Jul 2025

- Awarded Highly Commended M.Phil Project Prize 2024-2025 by the Department of Computer Science and Technology
- Courses: Geometric Deep Learning, Affective AI, Mobile & Wearable ML, NLP, Multi-agent RL

University College London

Computer Science, Bachelor of Science (First Class Honors)

📍 London, UK

📅 Sep 2021 — Jun 2024

- Main Courses: Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Reinforcement Learning, Mathematics & Statistics, Software Engineering

🔬 RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Protein Representation Learning With TNNs | UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Research Assistant | *Supervisor: Prof. Pietro Liò*

📍 Cambridge, UK

📅 Oct 2024 — Present

- Developed TCPNet, an SE(3)-equivariant topological neural network that simultaneously learns multiple levels of protein structures (amino acids, secondary structures, proteins), achieving a 5% improvement in antibody developability and protein folding classification tasks.
- Built a complete and extensible protein structure learning framework, including downloading raw PDB data, preprocessing into combinatorial complexes data structure, and computing features for various structural levels.
- Refactored TopoX's neighborhood matrix calculation to pure PyTorch, preventing GPU → CPU → GPU overhead and improving GPU utilization from 15% to 50% and shorten training time from 380 min to 90 min.
- Performed remote development on a Linux HPC server (with 4 A100 GPUs) using SLURM for job queuing and WandB for monitoring.

Multi-Omics Integration Data with GNNs | UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Research Assistant | *Supervisor: Prof. Pietro Liò*

📍 Cambridge, UK

📅 Feb 2025 — Present

- Using heterogeneous graph network for embedding single cell multi-omics (e.g. RNA, protein, and ATAC modalities) data to a shared latent space and conduct cell clustering.
- Training time on BM-CITE and LUNG-CITE datasets takes only a few minutes (RTX 4070 GPU), with 3% lower ARI and 2% lower NMI compared to the statistical method MOJITOO.
- Developed a pipeline with Python and R for downloading scRNA/ADT/ATAC-seq datasets stored in SeuratObject format and converting them to Python-readable AnnData.

Graph-based Facial Expression Analysis | UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Research Assistant | *Supervisor: Prof. Hatice Gunes*

📍 Cambridge, UK

📅 Oct 2024 — Jan 2025

- Accepted for presentation at IJCAI25 MiGA Workshop. (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.19802v2>)
- Proposed the GraphAU-Pain model that fuses a ResNet-50 backbone with graph-based facial action unit (AU) representation learning for pain intensity estimation, allowing better clinical interpretability and generalization compared to purely image-driven methods.
- Presented a novel transfer learning strategy to address domain differences and missing annotations, improving GraphAU-Pain's AU occurrence prediction F1-score by 30% on the UNBC dataset.

RPM Surgery Complication Prediction Model | UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

Research Assistant | *Supervisor: Prof. Ivana Drobnyak*


📍 London, UK

📅 May 2023 — Jun 2024


- Built a PostgreSQL pipeline and XGBoost model (ROC-AUC 0.79±0.03) on RPM data, enhancing clinical interpretability with SHAP.
- Developed a patient-independent stratified bootstrapping framework to mitigate data leakage and address small, imbalanced dataset challenges, ensuring credible evaluation and robust model generalizability.

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Healthcare LLM Instruction Dataset Generation | XUNFEI HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY


 Hefei, China

Machine Learning Engineer | *Supervisor: Jianyu Cai*


 Jul 2024 — Sep 2024

- Designed a pipeline using 10 human-written examples to generate 1000+ medical report instruction, and output examples with an instruction-tuned LLM; the generated examples improve instruction-following ability of an untuned LLM from 34% to 82%.
 - Enhanced instruction generation methods, extending short general instructions (10–50 words) to domain-specific ones averaging 500 words for advanced healthcare-specific LLM training.
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LLM Knowledge Injection Pipeline | LUOJIN DATA INFORMATION


 Shanghai, China

Machine Learning Engineer


 May 2023 — Aug 2023

- Designed an LLM-based pipeline to translate natural language queries into database queries, achieving 92% accuracy in selecting data for knowledge injection.
 - Created a LangChain Agent to label financial reports with 10 category tags, reducing a 2-minute task to 15 seconds per article.
 - Implemented semantic search via a MongoDB vector database for investment category tag embedding, ensuring a 97% match rate for user-entered company names.
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Low-cost AI Chatbot Generation System for Hospitals | NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

 London, UK


Intern Software Engineer

 Sep 2022 — May 2023


- Delivered a live demonstration at Great Ormond Street Hospital and presented at UCL to IBM, Microsoft, and Intel, earning media recognition from IBM Master Inventor John McNamara. (bit.ly/ixn-nhs-ucl-and-ibm).
 - Led a team of 3 to create an automated chatbot generation service for hospitals using React . js and Django, reducing development time from weeks to 30 minutes.
 - Deployed a Scrapy web crawler to extract key hospital information and formatted it into Q&A pairs.
 - Engineered a multi-layer Q&A architecture that reduced service costs by 50% and improved answer accuracy by 20%.
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ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fresher Coding Sessions | UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

 London, UK

Programming Tutor

 Sep 2022 — May 2023

- Organized biweekly group discussions for 12 first-year computer science students, offering academic guidance and peer support.