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Summary: I am a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Oxford working on machine learning applied to biomedical signal/image processing and analysis. I am looking for a permanent academic position involving research in computer engineering (my PhD area) and teaching in electrical engineering (my BE Hons and ME subjects).

A. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 1) Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Computer Science (2015 - 2019)
 - University of Otago, NZ
- 2) Master of Engineering (ME) in Electrical Engineering (2011 - 2013)
 - GPA: 9.33/10 (Jadavpur University, India)
- 3) Bachelor of Engineering (BE (Hons)) in Electrical Engineering (2005 - 2009)
 - GPA: 8.91/10 (Jadavpur University, India)

B. RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 1) Post-doctoral Researcher at the University of Oxford, UK (March 2019 - present)
 - Research: machine learning applied to biomedical signal/image processing
 - Project: deep learning based explainable skin lesion classification.
 - Funding: EPSRC SeeBiByte Grant Programme till May 2020.
 - Papers submitted to IEEE Letters of Computer Society and MICCAI 2020.
- 2) PhD Research at the University of Otago, NZ (Nov 2015 to Dec 2018: 3 years)
 - Research on fine-grained recognition of visual data from limited samples.
 - Project applied to visual recognition of NZ endemic bird/butterfly species.
 - PhD funded by University of Otago doctoral scholarship for 3 years.
 - Papers published in peer-reviewed journals and conferences (6 in total).
- 3) Pre-doctoral Research at the Indian Statistical Institute (Jan 2015 to Oct 2015)
 - Project on content detection from administrative document images.
 - Collaboration with Univ. de la Rochelle, France funded by Govt. Of India.
 - Paper published in Asian Conference on Pattern Recognition, 2016.
 - Took part in teaching, lab demonstration and workshop organisation.
- 4) Masters Research at Jadavpur University, India (July 2011 to June 2013: 2 years)
 - 1st Project on face recognition based biometrics and emotion recognition.
 - 2nd Project on blood vessel segmentation from retinal fundus images.
 - Collaboration with Univ. of Muenster, Germany funded by Govt. of India.
 - Papers published in Elsevier and Springer journals (3 in total)

C. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 1) Tutor/Demonstrator at the University of Oxford, UK (Oct 2019 to present)
 - MATLAB coding to undergraduate class of 50 students.
 - Also supervised mini-projects using MATLAB and graded assignments.
- 2) Tutor/Demonstrator at the University of Otago, NZ (2016 to 2018: 4 semesters)
 - Python and JAVA coding to undergraduate class of 250 students.
 - Also helped in developing course material, invigilated and graded exams.
- 3) Guest Lecturer at Jadavpur University, India (2012 to 2014: 2 years)
 - Taught electrical signals and systems, circuits and control theory.
 - Also developed curriculum, set exam questions and graded them.

D. INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

- 1) Data Scientist at High Performance Sport New Zealand (2016 to 2019: 3 years)
 - Analysis of NZ national Olympics sports data for Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020.
 - Project leader on estimated medal likelihood using machine learning.
- 2) Assistant Executive Engineer for Government of India (2013 to 2015: 2 years)
 - Engineering design and budgeting of large govt. engineering projects.
 - Plan and execute projects in public drinking water and electricity supply.

E. ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- 1) Co-founder and Technical Director of GEIA Ltd. (2016 to 2019: 3 years)
 - As student in NZ started Global Environmental Impact Assessment (GEIA).
 - It is a B2B SaaS consultancy in the social enterprise sector in New Zealand.
 - It helps SMEs in NZ to become more efficient through energy audits.
 - As Technical Director, won Callaghan R&D innovation award, Govt. of NZ.

F. VISITING RESEARCH

- 1) Visiting Researcher at the University of Cambridge, UK (Dec 2019 to Jan 2020)
 - Project on transparent and trustable AI in biomedical applications.
 - Visit is funded by the MedIAN grant to Centre for Future of Intelligence.
- 2) Visiting Researcher at the Indian Statistical Institute (Sept 2017 to Feb 2018)
 - Project on deep learning based fine-grained classification of image data.
 - Compiled datasets on Indian native birds and butterflies during visit.
- 3) Visiting Researcher at University of California, Berkeley (May 2017 to Aug 2017)
 - Project on deep transfer learning with class imbalance and limited data.
 - Visit was funded by Kevin Novins Travelling Scholarship.

G. PROFESSIONAL PORTFOLIO

1) MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- Royal Society, NZ and Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), UK
- Chartered Electrical Engineer through IEI, India (License: AM150470-6)

2) PEER REVIEW

- Journal: Pattern Recognition (Elsevier), Signal Processing Letters (IEEE)
- Conferences: ICDAR, MICCAI, ACPR, IVCNZ, ISBI and others.

3) CONFERENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- Asian Conference on Pattern Recognition (ACPR), Auckland, NZ, 2019.
- Image and Vision Computing New Zealand (IVCNZ), Dunedin, NZ, 2019.

4) AWARDS

- Diane Campbell Hunt Memorial Award for ecological conservation in NZ.
- Best student paper award at the IEEE international conference IVCNZ, 2018.

5) MEDIA RECOGNITION AND SCIENCE COMMUNICATION:

- Popular science interview (30 mins) on OAR FM NZ Radio (25 Feb, 2019).
- News on PhD project broadcast in national Radio NZ (13 Jan, 2019).
- Article in the Otago daily times on PhD project (12 Jan, 2019).
- Article in Forest and Bird magazine NZ (Spring 2018 edition).

6) FUNDING/GRANTS (amount: 138,450NZD, nos. 10 till 2019, listed in order of value)

- 75000NZD: University of Otago Doctoral Scholarship (3 years PhD studies)
- 22000NZD: Audacious NZ Student Startup Grant (for 1 year + office space)
- 18000NZD: Kevin Novins Travelling Scholarship (for 3 months visit to USA)
- 6000NZD: Post PhD Publications Bursary (3 months, University of Otago)
- 5000NZD: Callaghan NZ R&D Innovation Grant (set up R&D in my startup)
- 5000NZD: Government of India MHRD Grant (for ME degree study in India)
- 3000NZD: Univ. of Otago, Division of Sciences Grant (conference travel)
- 2250NZD: Debesh Kamal Travelling Scholarship (one time travel grant)
- 1200NZD: Diane Campbell Hunt Memorial Grant (conference travel)
- 1000NZD: Visiting Scientist Grant (Indian Statistical Institute 2017 & 2019)

H. REFERENCES

1) DR. BRENDAN MCCANE (relation: primary PhD supervisor at Otago)

- Affiliation: Professor, Dept of Computer Science, University of Otago, NZ.
- Email: mccane@cs.otago.ac.nz, phone: +64 3 4798588

2) DR. JENS RITTSCHER (relation: investigator of postdoc project at Oxford)

- Affiliation: Professor, Dept of Engineering Science, University of Oxford.
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3) DR. UMAPADA PAL (relation: PhD co-supervisor, supervisor in earlier job)

- Affiliation: Professor and Head, CVPR Unit, Indian Statistical Institute.
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I. PUBLICATIONS (H-index: 7)

Note: My publishing surname is Chakraborti instead of Chakraborty; they are equivalent
Google Scholar profile: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=ZIBre_IAAAAJ&hl=en

JOURNALS:

- 1) M. Fan, T. Chakraborti, and J. Rittscher, "A deep attention mechanism for classification of fine-grained multi-instanced objects in biomedical images", *IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI)*, 2020 (accepted for oral presentation).
- 2) R. Roy, T. Chakraborti, A. S. Chowdhury, "Deep learning-shape driven level set synergism for pulmonary nodule segmentation," *Pattern Recognition Letters*, 123: 31-38, 2019.
- 3) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills, and U. Pal, "LOOP Descriptor: Local Optimal Oriented Pattern", *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, 25(5): 635-639, 2018.
- 4) T. Chakraborti, D. K. Jha, A. S. Chowdhury, and X. Jiang, "A self-adaptive matched filter for retinal blood vessel detection", *Machine Vision and Applications*, 26(1): 55-68, 2015.
- 5) T. Chakraborti, A. Chatterjee, A. Halder, and A. Konar, "Automated emotion recognition employing a novel modified binary quantum-behaved gravitational search algorithm with differential mutation" *Expert Systems*, 32(4): 522-530, 2015,
- 6) T. Chakraborti, A. Chatterjee, "A novel binary adaptive weight GSA based feature selection for face recognition using local gradient patterns, modified census transform, local binary patterns", *Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence*, 33: 80-90, 2014.
- 7) T. Chakraborti, K. Das Sharma, and A. Chatterjee, "A novel local extrema based gravitational search algorithm and its application in face recognition using one training image per class", *Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence*, 34: 13-22, 2014.

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- 1) M. Fan, T. Chakraborti, and J. Rittscher, "A deep attention mechanism for classification of fine-grained multi-instanced objects in biomedical images", *IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI)*, 2020 (accepted for oral presentation).
- 2) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills, and U. Pal, "Fine-grained Collaborative K-Means Clustering", *IEEE Intl. Conference IVCNZ*, Auckland, 2018 (best student paper award).
- 3) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills, U. Pal, "A Generalised Formulation for Collaborative Representation of Image Patches (GP-CRC)", *British Machine Vision Conference*, 2017.
- 4) N. Tripathy, T. Chakraborti, M. Nasipuri, U. Pal, "A scale and rotation invariant scheme for multi-oriented Character Recognition", *IEEE International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR)*, 2016: 4041-4046.
- 5) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills, U. Pal, "Collaborative representation based fine-grained species recognition," *IEEE Intl. Conference IVCNZ*, 2016.

ARXIV PREPRINT:

- 1) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills, and U. Pal, "CoCoNet: A Collaborative Convolutional Network," arXiv:1901.09886, 2019.
- 2) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills, and U. Pal, "PProCRC: Probabilistic Collaboration of Image Patches," arXiv:1903.09123, 2019.
- 3) T. Chakraborti, A. Patra, and A. Noble, "Contrastive Fairness in Machine Learning", arXiv:1905:07360, 2019.
- 4) T. Chakraborti, B. McCane, S. Mills and U. Pal, "Distance Metric Learned Collaborative Representation Classifier" arXiv:1905:01168, 2019.