Loic Mandine

Montreal, CA | https://mdag.cyou | Looking for Internship Summer 2024 (min. 4 months, May 2024)

EDUCATION

MILA Institute

Montreal, CA

Machine Learning Master Graduation Date: Nov 2024

Polytech Nice Sophia Sophia Antipolis, France

Engineering Degree - Applied Mathematics and Modeling & Data Science Graduation Date: Sep 2022

WORK EXPERIENCE

MARSS Group MONACO

Machine Learning Engineer

Dec 2022 - Aug 2023

- Develop and Deploy on-the-edge an Object Detector model for a Smart City use case
- Help collect and categorize data from public sources but also the company's customer base (when authorized)
- Build and improve **already-existing ML tools** to help filter/validate the data and the training results (10% improvement in mAP accuracy, automated pipeline for custom dataset creation)
- Test performance and compatibility of new hardware, not only in the Nvidia world with the edge Jetson platform but also on programmable FPGA or pure server-grade CPU with Intel
- Convert existing solutions (and training data) to different frameworks

AzurIA Sophia-Antipolis, France

Data Scientist (Apprenticeship)

Sep 2021 - Nov 2022

- Still in its very early stages, I joined AzurIA to support the R&D team's AI projects. I had the opportunity to work on many ML-related projects.
- Implemented Computer Vision to-the-edge PoC that allows the Startup company to be selected for a European project.
- Reached 2nd place in a Hackathon, on behalf of the company, organized by <u>BonsAPPs</u> (Manufacturing Defection Detection)
- Theorize and implement an end-to-end automated self-supervised training pipeline on Remote Sensing datasets, with an active learning feedback loop, and model compression for on-device deployment; with the help of two other Ph.D. employees
- Help in the maintenance/creation of a home-made Computing Server, and an ML development environment.

Center Antoine Lacassgne, C.H.U Nice - DEBDS

Nice, France

Data Scientist (internship)

Jun 2021 - Aug 2021

- As a first step, the objective of this internship was to develop and validate a machine learning model to help in the decision of malignancy of a thyroid nodule.
- In the second step, the performance of several machine learning methods was then compared.
- This statistical study has led to the publication of a scientific article in which I will have the chance to be cited as the 3rd author.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

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Machine Learning Engineer

Dec 2022 - Aug 2023

- Training mainly **One-Stage** CNN models for Object Detection (YOLO series of model, RTMDet) on a custom dataset (mixture of Object Detection state-of-the-art datasets, and company's data) with a lot of classes. Experiments with Vision Transformer (Efficient-Vit, ...) were also made.
- Implement an automated data pipeline to fabric a custom dataset with customed annotations and classes of interest, integrated with the company's data annotation tool

• Try several types of Quantization on CNNs and benchmark on-the-edge inference latency/performance tradeoff on several Jetson devices (Nano, Orin, Xavier) and inference engines (Onnx, TensorRT, OpenVino)

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Sep 2021 - Nov 2022

Real-time Cloud Segmentation & Boat Detection: Train re-arranged U-net for lightweight footprint, on Remote Sensing data of Cloud binary Segmentation. Train object detector on Boat Detection Aerial Image. Then, deploy the best models on several edge devices (TensorRT: Jetson Nano & Orin, OpenVino: Raspberry w/ Movidius VPU). Package those last in an ML app demo, showcasing model performance with different Inference Runtime

BonsAPPs Hackathon (AzurIA company)

Bologna, Italy

Data Scientist (apprenticeship)

Feb 2022 - Apr 2024

• We had weekly milestones to complete. The goal was to test a beta version of the AI marketplace BonsEyes by implementing objects applied to a specific use case. We were introduced to the BonsEyes marketplace-specific components and architecture, our use-case being Defect Detection on Manufactured items. Milestones consisted of classical end-to-end (from data collection to deployment on-devices) ML project steps but re-adapted into a special context.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

University of Montreal - DIRO Department

Montreal, CA

Tutor

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

• Animator of weekly seminar on 'Learning Linux' for students. I also help (undergrad) students with their homework and projects.