Job vacancy #2023-06788

Internship: Scientific calculus applied to low-rank matrices

Contract type: Internship agreement

Level of qualifications required: Bachelor's degree or equivalent

Function: Internship Engineering

About the research centre or Inria department

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Context

Recently Inria's Statify research team has developed a scientific library based on the GLLiM (Gaussian Locally-Linear Mapping) method applied to physical model inversion (https://gitlab.inria.fr/kernelo-mistis/kernelo-gllim-is). The approach leverages the covariance matrices associated with the GLLiM model. However, a notable drawback of this approach is the considerable computational time required when dealing with high dimensions. It is worth noting that the covariance matrices of the GLLiM model are low-rank. The idea is to exploit this property to devise more efficient algorithms.

Assignment

The goal of this internship is to investigate the current state of the art in algorithms for low-rank matrix calculations, including inversion, determinant computation, matrix multiplication, and log density estimation. You will conduct comparative analyses of these algorithms, assessing their efficiency, accuracy, and scalability. The goal is to improve the performance of the GLLiM model in two specific domains: space remote sensing in high-dimensional settings, and medical imaging analysis, with a particular emphasis on Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI).

Main activities

Listen, learn, think, act

Skills

- Currently pursuing a M1 or M2 degree in computer science, electrical engineering, robotics, or a related field.
- Good programming skills in C++
- Familiarity with computational statistics
- Solid understanding of mathematics, especially linear algebra and statistics.
- Strong problem-solving skills and the ability to work both independently and in a collaborative team environment.

Benefits package

- Subsidized meals
- Partial reimbursement of public transport costs
- Leave: 7 weeks of annual leave + 10 extra days off due to RTT (statutory reduction in working hours) + possibility of exceptional leave (sick children, moving home, etc.)
- Professional equipment available (videoconferencing, loan of computer equipment, etc.)
- Social, cultural and sports events and activities
- Access to vocational training
- Social security coverage (under conditions)
Remuneration

Gratification = 4,05€ gross / hour

General Information

- Town/city: Montbonnot
- Inria Center: Centre Inria de l’Université Grenoble Alpes
- Starting date: 2024-01-01
- Duration of contract: 6 months
- Deadline to apply: 2023-11-30

Contacts

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How to apply:

Please send your application including

- Mandatory: Complete CV
- Mandatory: Letter of motivation (at most one page)
- Mandatory: Degrees and lists of grades (translated to English or French)
- Recommended: Name and e-mail address of at most two references

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