# Anusha Lavanuru

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Columbia University, New York

Sept 2023 - Dec 2024

- Master of Science, Computer Science
- Courses: ML, NLP, Algorithms, Databases, UI Design, VR/AR, Graphics, Human Computer Interaction, Data Visualization
- Teaching Assistant: UI Design (Spring '25 & Fall '24), Introduction to Databases(Spring '24), Computing in Context(Fall '23)

### SKILLS

Languages: Python, Go, Java, C++, C#, React, Next.js, TypeScript, Node.js, Express.js, JavaScript

Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, DynamoDB, MongoDB, Redis, Milvus, InfluxDB

Tools: FlaskAPI, Gin, Spring Boot, Figma, AWS, Kafka, GraphQL, Docker, Kubernetes, Jenkins, Git, Unity

Libraries: OpenCV, Pandas, NumPy, Scikit, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, PyTorch, NLTK

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### Backend Engineer | Arklex.ai, New York

Feb 2025 - Present

- Built an **enterprise** version of the Arklex AI platform by extending and integrating core product **frontend**, **backend**, **and chatbot etc.** repositories (**React**, **Next.is**, **Golang**), enabling modular and client-specific **SaaS** deployments.
- Created a production-ready AMI by provisioning frontend, backend, bots and databases (MySQL, Redis, Milvus) within a lightweight K3s Kubernetes cluster on AWS EC2, enabling seamless deployment to enterprise private clouds
- Collaborated on cross-region infrastructure migration from ap-southeast-1 to us-east-1, covering services like S3, ECR, RDS, ElastiCache, which reduced latency by 50ms and lowered operational costs by 15%

### Software Development Engineer Intern | NomadFi, New York

May 2024 - Sept 2024

- Engineered modular React components for a fin-tech platform, including the homepage, dashboards etc., utilizing advanced state management with React Hooks, Context API, & Redux to deliver a responsive UI/UX
- Built an **OCR**-based invoice processing system in **Python**, automating the extraction of unstructured financial data, transforming it into a relational database format cutting manual processing time by **60**%
- Integrated a backend pipeline with Java, Spring Boot, optimizing PostgreSQL data retrieval, trimming latency by 25%
- Contributed to blockchain-based **RWA tokenization** by designing **Ethereum** based architecture, integrating **APIs** (**Plaid**, **Teller**) for financial health assessment, and aligning features with trade finance standards

### Software Engineer | Shure Incorporated, India

Aug 2021 - Aug 2023

- Built and deployed RESTful APIs with Flask (Python) to streamline audio analytics data pipeline for Shure Cloud, leveraging AWS (DynamoDB, S3, MSK). Also optimized data flow and integration, slashed processing time by 20%
- Designed and implemented scalable software frameworks using **Python** and **Selenium**, automating **100+** test cases and reducing manual efforts by **70%**, significantly enhancing software quality
- Developed back-end services and CI/CD pipelines using Python and Jenkins, streamlining build, testing, and release work-flows, reducing deployment errors by 40%, and improving delivery timelines by 35%
- Optimized product workflows, reliability by driving automation and addressing bottlenecks in Agile cross-functional teams

## **PROJECTS**

#### Image Enhancement using GANs

• Developed a photo enhancement pipeline using U-Net, Wasserstein GANs, improving image quality by 30% on NUS dataset

## Probing GPT-2 Layers in Relationship Analysis

[Github]

• Probed **GPT-2** with **Baukit**, analyzing MLP and attention layers with **SNLI** corpus, trained classifiers on hidden states for identifying entailment, contradiction, and neutral relationships, revealing **incremental** learning across layers

## Postagging and Autocorrection

[Github]

• Explored multilingual POS tagging systems using HMM, RNN, LSTM, BiLSTM models for English, Bulgarian, Japanese and evaluated an autocorrection system leveraging n-gram language models and Viterbi algorithm with edit distance

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Research Assistant | Computer Graphics and User Interfaces Lab

Sept 2024 - Dec 2024

- Developed PolXR application on Oculus Quest 2 using Unity, C#, enabling intuitive geospatial data exploration for glaciology
- Implemented shared mode networking with **Photon Fusion** and dynamic radargram rendering, reducing memory usage by 45% and scene load times by 40% while preserving high-res visuals

## Research Assistant | Computer Enabled Abilities Lab

May 2024 - Dec 2024

- Developed an **AR application** using **Unity** and **C#** for **android** device to preserve the history, safety, and community stories of the Harlem region, incorporating feedback from local stakeholders
- Designed and prototyped application workflows using **Figma** to visualize interactive user interfaces and streamline **AR** development processes reducing iteration time