

# ERIC NUNES

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## SUMMARY

Computer Engineering Graduate student with 3 years' experience in research and development of data analysis tools. Hands-on experience with Python, R, SQL, C++, and MATLAB. Knowledgeable in processes and tools related to Big Data and Data Science.

## EDUCATION

### PhD in Computer Engineering

Arizona State University, AZ

GPA: 4.0

Present

### Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Syracuse University, NY

May, 2012

### Bachelor of Science in Electronics and Telecommunication

University of Mumbai, India

June, 2010

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Machine Learning:** Classification, regression, clustering, anomaly detection, feature engineering, online learning, Experience with deep learning.
- **Programming Languages:** Python, MATLAB, C++, Prolog, HTML, LaTeX. Familiar with C, PHP, LISP, R.
- **Libraries:** scikit-learn, Weka, Pandas, OpenCV, Theano, Caffe.
- **Databases:** SQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB.
- **Big Data and Cloud:** Splunk, Spark, Familiar with Big Data Processing Platforms: Hadoop and Cloud tools: Amazon S3.

## KEY PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Security Automation Intern (Data Science), PayPal

May 2017- August 2017

Tools: Python, Splunk, Spark.

- Analyzed user login activity using Akamai logs and enriched it with other data feeds such as threat intelligence, merchant data, credential dumps.
- Implemented operational Anomaly detection models to detect Account Takeover (ATO) attacks to raise alerts for automated mitigation.
- Visualized ATO attacks in real time on a dashboard in Splunk to aid risk to flag fraudulent transactions.

### Data Scientist, Cyber Reconnaissance Inc. (CYR3CON)

August 2016 - April 2017

Tools: Python, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Spark.

- Designed a system to store and mine data from darknet markets and forums.
- Implemented learning models to classify data related to malicious hacking (from products on markets and topics on forums).
- Built learning models for predicting likelihood of exploitation of a vulnerability, named-entity recognition using RNN/LSTM seq2seq models, identification of malicious web pages.

### Research Consultant, CYR3CON (Client: SiteLock)

June 2016 - August 2016

Tools: Python.

- Analyzed large dataset of malicious web scripts (PHP/HTML) to generate features indicative of malicious activity.
- Developed classification models to classify web scripts as malicious or not using the generated features in Python.
- **Achieved malicious script detection rate of >90%.**

### Graduate Research Assistant, CySIS Lab, Arizona State University

August 2014 - Present

Tools: Python, PostgreSQL, Prolog, tcpflow.

- Modeling of threat actors: Identifying cyber adversaries using argumentation and machine learning models (knowledge base: 10 million attacks).
- Proactive Cyber-Threat Intelligence: Built a system to crawl and parse the Darknet (markets and forums) to extract cyber threat intelligence including zero-day exploits using data mining and machine learning techniques. Identifying targeted software through disclosed vulnerabilities on Darknet.
- Malware task identification: Identifying the tasks that a piece of malware was designed to perform on the system (adversarial intent) using cognitive learning models.

## PATENTS

- Systems and Methods for Data Driven Malware Task Identification. Submitted, 2016. **Provisional: 62/182,006.**
- Intelligent darkweb crawling infrastructure for cyber threat intelligence collection. Licensed to CYR3CON. **Provisional: 62/409,291. Technology featured in Forbes, MIT Tech Review, ACM TechNews, Cisco Continuum.**

## REFERRED PUBLICATIONS

<https://efnunes.github.io/publication.html>