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# **EDUCATION**

### University of California, Davis (UC Davis)

Davis, California

Master of Science in Computer Science GPA: 3.93/4.0

Sept 2022 - May 2024

Indian Institute Of Technology Goa (IIT GOA)

Goa, India

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering GPA: 3.9/4.0

Aug 2017 - May 2021

**TECHNICAL SKILLS** 

Programming Languages: Java, Python, JavaScript, C++, C#

**Database and Web Development**: React.js, Node.js, MongoDB (NoSQL), Hibernate ORM, Express, HTML5, Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), MySQL, Modal View Controller, Spring framework, Postman, REST API's, .NET framework, Maven

Others: Linux, Git, Keras, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Signal processing, Machine learning, JIRA, Jenkins, Software Development, Selenium

## WORK EXPERIENCE

# Indian Student Association @ UC Davis Link

Davis, California

# Software Developer - part time

Nov 2023 - Present

- Co-founded and leading the development of full-stack web application using **React.js**, **MongoDB** and **Node.js** aimed at enhancing academic and social experience of student community at UC Davis.
- Implemented features like roommate finder with **dynamic matching algorithm**; and currently working on event calendar and tailored recommendations.
- Designed and implemented secure, efficient **RESTful APIs** with **Node.js** and **Express.js**, optimizing data retrieval through **hybrid pagination**, ensuring minimal response times even with large data.

# WOAS Technology Pvt. Ltd. (Wooqer)

Bangalore, India

#### **Associate Product Engineer**

Jun 2021 – May 2022

- Spearheaded a scrum team in the development of an interactive gallery, using **Java**, **HTML**, **CSS** and **Spring MVC** framework, resulting in a **45%** increase in user engagement through enhanced UI and optimized **MySQL** gueries
- Designed new RESTful APIs and optimized existing ones to revamp Wooqer mobile app (Android and iOS) resulting in 25% reduction in critical response times
- Effectively resolved over **100+** product-related issues tracked in JIRA, leading to a significant reduction in customer complaints and contributing to the product's overall stability and reliability.

#### Planful (Host Analytics)

Telangana, India

# Software Developer Engineer - 1 Intern

June 2020 - Dec 2020

- Developed a .NET console application in C# and integrated it with MySQL to automate anomaly detection in financial data, enhancing data accuracy and reducing prediction errors in financial planning models by 40%
- Collaborated with senior developers to debug code using NUnit framework, resolving 30+ pending issues on JIRA and documented code for future KT sessions

#### **PROJECTS**

# Exploring Factors influencing US politics Link

- Utilized diverse set of **APIs**, **selenium** tool and scraping techniques for data extraction from subreddits, demographic databases, and news sources, consolidating into a single **SQLite** database for in-depth political analysis.
- Implemented **Linear Regression** to explore the relationship between demographic factors and sentiments on various topics and visualized these insights using **JavaScript** and **Python's** Dash application.
- Employed Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) for thematic analysis of news content across the political spectrum, revealing linguistic patterns and potential biases impacting public opinion.

# Silent Speech Interface (SSI) for patients with speech disorder Link

- Conducted a successful clinical study to investigate the feasibility of generating speech in laryngectomy patients through a non-invasive Silent Speech Interface (SSI), utilizing sEMG signals from facial muscles without the reliance on audio data.
- Engineered an advanced supervised learning model that synthesizes speech from sEMG and lipreading, employing a novel combination
  of CNN-RNN and attention-based Seq-to-Seq architectures, achieving a 15% WER
- Orchestrated clinical trials with laryngectomy patients, devising Python scripts for the recording and synchronization of sEMG signals
  and visual data.

## Enhancing driver voice assistant software to help reduce road accidents (Omdena Al challenge) Link

- Led pre-processing team to develop a U-Net/Convolutional Autoencoder model to denoise driver's speech for voice assistant software
- Enhanced speech intelligibility by integrating a language model, achieving a **0.33**% word error rate, and feeding the improved output to a RASA-based chatbot

# AWARDS AND LEADERSHIP

- · Secured CITRIS funding for the 'Silent Speech' project, earning recognition for leveraging IT research to address societal challenges.
- · Received the prestigious Bronze medal at IIT-GOA for securing the second rank in the CS department.