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# **EDUCATION**

### Northeastern University

2022 - 2027

Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science

- GPA: 4.0/4.0

- Advisor: Dr. David Bau

- Research Area: Interpretable AI

# **Brown University**

2021 - 2022

Master of Science, Computer Science

- GPA: 4.0/4.0

- Thesis: Summarization and Generation of Discharge Summary Medical Reports

- Thesis Advisor: Dr. Carsten Eickhoff

# Brown University

2017 - 2021

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science, Honors

- GPA: 3.8/4.0

- Thesis: The Effect of Multi-Document Summarizations on User SERP Experience

- Thesis Advisor: Dr. Carsten Eickhoff

- Concentration Advisor: Dr. Ugur Cetintemel

#### INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Information Security Intern

# Akamai Technologies

Jan 2022 - May 2022

Cambridge, MA

· Created text summarization and recommender systems for a threat-intelligence dashboard

### Akamai Technologies

May 2020 - August 2020

Information Security Intern

Cambridge, MA

- · Designed and deployed UI features to achieve consistent language interpretation in Technical Risk Illuminator, a tool built to support executive decisions.
- · Conceptualized and modeled an NLP-based multiple-tag generator to identify key terms and types of incidents from cyber-incident reports.

# Akamai Technologies

May 2019 - August 2019

Cambridge, MA

Information Security Intern

- · Optimized the yearly audit process duration by building a systems register, which generates answers that business units require to show that they are PCI Compliant.
- · Revamped the PCI Gap Analysis Template to streamline the process of products entering the PCI Compliance program for the first time.

# **Brown University**

May 2018 - July 2018

Information Security Analyst Intern

Providence, RI

· Substantially improved copyright ticketing process automation through network expansion in support of internal IP address, MAC address, and public IP username identification.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Northeastern Interpretable AI Lab

Sept 2022 - Present

PhD Student Researcher

Boston, MA

· AI + HCI: Building visualizing tools to understand and interpret large language models like GPT.

#### Brown AI Lab for Biomedical Informatics

Sept 2019 - Present

Student Researcher

Providence, RI

- · AI + Healthcare: Developed a patient-centric literature summarization mechanism by implementing NLP models on biomedical texts.
- · AI + HCI: Conducted user study on the effect of multi-document summarizations on User Search Results Page (SERP) experience.

iTrust Centre at Singapore University of Technology and Design

April 2016 - Jan 2017

Research Intern

Singapore

· AI + Cyber Security: Proposed a novel method to detect cyber-attacks on a Cyber-Physical System.

### HONORS AND AWARDS

| Brown CS Scholarship for Richard Tapia Conference          | 2021 |
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| Brown University Undergraduate Honors Award                | 2021 |
| Brown Undergraduate Teaching Assistant-ship                | 2019 |
| Top 3 Best Student Paper Award @ IEEE 18th HASE Conference | 2017 |

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

1. <u>K. Pal</u>, S. Adepu and J. Goh, "Effectiveness of Association Rules Mining for Invariants Generation in Cyber-Physical Systems," 2017 IEEE 18th International Symposium on High Assurance Systems Engineering (HASE), 2017, pp. 124-127, doi: 10.1109/HASE.2017.21.

# TEACHING AND RESEARCH MENTORSHIP

# Northeastern University

Sept 2022 - Dec 2022

Graduate TA

Boston, MA

· CSCI 7150: Deep Learning, with Dr. David Bau (Fall 2022)

### **Brown University**

Dec 2018 - Dec 2020

Teaching Assistant (TA) and Head TA\*

Providence, RI

- · CSCI 1470\* and 2470\*: Deep Learning, with Dr. Daniel Ritchie (Fall 2020)
- · CSCI 1010: Theory of Computation, with Dr. Lorenzo De Stefani (Fall 2019)
- · CSCI 0220: Introduction to Discrete Structures and Probability, with Dr. Caroline J Klivans (Spring 2019)
- · CSCI 0170: Computer Science An Integrated Introduction, with Dr. Philip N. Klein (Fall 2018)

#### Inspirit AI

July 2020 - August 2020, Dec 2021

Instructor

Online

- · Conducted online lectures and coding assignments covering concepts such as machine learning fundamentals, NLP, computer vision, and ethics in AI.
- · Guided global group of students through AI projects such as Anti-Refugee Semantic Analysis.

# **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Python, Ruby, SQL, Java, C, C++, Scala, Go, DrRacket,

OCaml, Latex, React, MATLAB, Javascript, HTML, CSS

Software, OS & Tools: GitHub, BitBucket, Heroku, MongoDB, MySQL, REST API,

JIRA, Pandas, Numpy, Gensim, scikit-learn, Google Apps, MS Office Suite, Google Apps, Qt Creator, OS X, Linux

English, French, Hindi, Bengali

Languages:

#### RELEVANT COURSES

Machine Learning, Deep Learning, User Interface and User Experience, CS for Social Good, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Software Security, Computer Systems Security, Privacy-Conscious Computer Systems

# **SERVICE**

Mentor @ Brown University's Women Launch Pad 2022-Present

Mentor @ Brown University's Women in Computer Science

2018-2022

#### **ACTIVITIES AND SOCIETIES**

Northeastern's CS PhD Group, Brown's DAEBAK K-Pop Dance Association, Bengali Students' club, Hack@Brown, Peer mentoring, Playing Tennis, Playing Piano, Traveling