

# Divya Prakash Manivannan

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, C/C++, SQL, PL/SQL, NoSQL, HTML, Shell Scripting, Javascript

**Tools & Technologies:** Github, Jira, CI/CD, Linux, Snowflake, OracleDB, AWS, Azure, Tableau, Hadoop, Docker, dbt, Spark

**Python Libraries:** Pytorch, TensorFlow, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn, PySpark, Scipy

**Role Related Skills:** Data Structures & Algorithms, ETL, ELT, Data Analysis, Predictive Modelling, Dimensional Modelling

**ML/DL Domains:** Computer Vision (CV), Natural Language Processing (NLP), Large Language Models (LLMs), GenAI

**Industry Skills:** Agile Practices, Test Driven Development, Design Thinking & Analysis, Cloud Computing

## EXPERIENCE

### Research Scientist

Jul 2023 - Sep 2023

*New York University, Tandon School of Engineering*

*Brooklyn, New York*

- Enhanced Out-Of-Distribution detection techniques for detecting backdoor samples and achieved a maximum of **95% accuracy**.
- Executed established methodologies and managed the data pipeline for generating results for over 5000 configurations.
- Achieved a 50% reduction in run times by optimizing GPU cluster usage, implemented on NYU's Greene HPC cluster.

### Graduate Student Researcher & Developer

Jan 2022 - Dec 2022

*New York University, Tandon School of Engineering*

*Brooklyn, New York*

- Revamped the Augmented Library APP by developing a new backend system for reserving 40 study spaces.
- Proposed a cost-effective **AWS Cloud Hosting** solution for migrating the backend PostgreSQL database, for scalability.

### Software Engineer

Sept 2018 - Jul 2021

*IBM India Pvt. Ltd.,*

*Bengaluru, India*

- Developed high-performance PL/SQL APIs using **TDD**, managing 400K daily transactions of **AT&T Enterprise** accounts.
- Led the implementation of an automated mailing system using **Shell Scripting** and **Dynamic SQL**, enhancing database insights and averting outages, reducing manual workload from 2 hours/week to zero.
- Utilized **SQL** for data analysis and managed over **50** critical APIs, reflecting proficiency in **EDA** tasks and **ELT** processes.
- Optimized PL/SQL APIs, cutting Production Database execution time by 10%.
- Facilitated team meetings and Knowledge Transfer sessions for new database team members while serving as Subject Matter Expert (**SME**) for approximately 10 sub-applications.

## EDUCATION

### New York University, Tandon School of Engineering

Brooklyn, New York

*Master of Science, Computer Engineering*

*Sept 2021 - May 2023*

### PDPM Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing

Jabalpur, India

*Bachelor of Technology, Electronics and Communication Engineering*

*Aug. 2014 - May 2018*

## PROJECTS

### Security Vulnerabilities of Self-supervised Multi-Modal Models

Jan 2023 - May 2023

- Evaluated the security vulnerabilities of Self-supervised Multi-Modal models, highlighting the need for robust backdoor defenses.
- Devised **DKAC** (Dual Key Attack on CLIP), a novel backdoor attack, leveraging CLIP's characteristics in Visual Question Answering (VQA) setups.

### Deep Dive into Google Play Store Apps & Reviews

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

- Performed comprehensive analysis on a Google Play Store dataset comprising 2.3 million entries using **Python** and **PySpark**, uncovering insights into app popularity, advertising efficacy, and user engagement dynamics.
- Executed extensive data pre-processing, statistical analysis, causal inference, and classification tasks, achieving a 80% **test accuracy** for predicting 'Maximum Installs' and uncovering key factors influencing app ratings and installs.

### Data-Driven Movie Analysis: Unveiling Patterns in Viewer Preferences

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

- Applied hypothesis testing on movie data set having ratings of over 1000 users to assess popularity and viewer preferences.
- Maximized movie rating predictions through advanced regression techniques against performance metrics such as **COD**, **RMSE** and **AUC** values, achieving up to 95% accuracy in predicting average user enjoyment for individual films.

### Stealthy Syntactical Backdoor Attack on Language Models [\[Link\]](#)

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

- Proposed a novel backdoor attack on Language Models, extending the Hidden Killer attack by integrating poison data generation with the Pre-trained T5 model, resulting in a maximum **ASR** increase of 23%.
- Implemented a robust backdoor defense using GPT3, reducing ASR by 50% in most tested model and data set configurations.

### Cross-Architectural Self-Supervision for Multi-Modal Learning [\[Link\]](#)

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

- Explored Unimodal and Multi-modal Self-supervised approaches for classifying memes in Facebook AI's hateful meme dataset, evaluating performance with AUROCs and accuracies.
- Introduced **CASS-MM (CASS-Multi-modal)**, a novel technique, outperforming CLIP-trained models in accuracy by 10%.

## PUBLICATIONS

**NeurIPS 2023 Workshop BUGS:** On the Limitation of Backdoor Detection Methods [\[Link\]](#)