Mati Ur Rehman

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EDUCATION

Doctorate of Science in Computer Science

January 2023 – May 2027

University of Virginia — GPA: 4.0/4.0

Charlottesville, VA

Relevant Coursework: Natural Language Processing, LLM Fairness & Security, Graph Machine Learning Network Security, Threat Detection & Response, Software Security

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

September 2018 - June 2022

Lahore University of Management Sciences — GPA: 3.8/4.0

Lahore, Pakistan

Relevant Coursework: Software Engineering, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Data Science

Computer Vision, Data Mining, Computational Biology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Intern

June 2024 - August 2024

Corvic Inc

Mountain View, California

- $\bullet \ \ {\rm Developed} \ \ {\rm unsupervised} \ \ {\rm distributed} \ \ {\rm graph} \ \ {\rm embedding} \ \ {\rm pipeline} \ \ {\rm using} \ \ {\rm the} \ \ {\rm Microsoft} \ \ {\rm DeepGNN} \ \ {\rm framework}.$
- Integrated this pipeline into Corvic's Python backend and developed front-end components in React.js.
- Achieved 20% accuracy improvement in node classification tasks compared to existing solutions.

Research Assistant - Machine Learning

January 2023 – Present

University of Virginia Charlottesville, Virginia

• Designed data pipelines for analyzing large-scale system logs using Python Dask and Polar libraries.

- Developed FLASH, an open-source IDS that surpasses existing systems with 3x processing speed and offers detection precision of 98% and recall of 99%.
- FLASH is implemented in Python, with data processing in Dask, graph learning in PyTorch & PyG, text embeddings in Gensim, and anomaly classification via XGBoost.

Machine Learning Intern

June 2022 – January 2023

Katana Graph Inc

Austin, Texas

- Developed multi-modal embedding generation techniques for text, graph, and tabular data.
- Implemented Temporal Graph Network (TGN) link predictor for forecasting medical trends.
- TGN achieved 96% accuracy in trend prediction and was adopted by the biotech company AbbVie Inc.

Publications

- 1. Rehman, M. U., Ahmadi, H., & Hassan, W. U. (2024, February). FLASH: A Comprehensive Approach to Intrusion Detection via Provenance Graph Representation Learning. In 2024 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (SP) (pp. 139-139). IEEE Computer Society
- 2. Liu, Q., Shoaib, M., Rehman, M. U., Bao, K., Hagenmeyer, V., & Hassan, W. U. (2024). Accurate and Scalable Detection and Investigation of Cyber Persistence Threats. arXiv preprint arXiv:2407.18832

PROJECTS

Red Team Attack Emulation | Linux, Caldera, Metasploit, Mitre ATT&CK

May 2023 – August 2023

- Designed Linux system attacks following complete APT lifecycle. Attack phases included Reconnaissance, Initial Access, Privilege Escalation, Lateral Movement, and Data Exfiltration.
- Constructed 100GB of Linux system logs dataset containing attack simulations using Zeek-Agent.

- Developed an e-commerce platform with user website and admin portals handling over **5k monthly users**.
- Implemented features including wish lists, order tracking, inventory management, and product search with filters.
- Conducted A/B testing to optimize UI/UX, leading to an 8% increase in user retention.

Achievements

- 1. Received the **Best Research Award** at the UVA AI/ML Resource Fair 2024
 - 2. Served as a **conference committee member** for IEEE Transactions on Forensics & Security 2024
- 3. Organizing committee member at the DMV Security Workshop 2024, hosted by the University of Virginia