



# OSHAN MUDANNAYAKE

Researcher  
Computer Science

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Reinforcement Learning | Machine Learning | Artificial Intelligence  
Game Theory  
Computer Vision  
Computer Games

## EDUCATION

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**[Reading] University of Moratuwa** *Jan. 2023 - Present*  
M.Sc in Data Science & AI

**University of Colombo School of Computing** *Feb. 2016 - Feb. 2020*  
B.Sc (Hons) in Computer Science  
First Class Honors with a GPA of 3.61/4.0 (Top 5%)  
Ranked 6<sup>th</sup> over 156 CS students  
Thesis: “*Summarization of Large Scale Streaming Graphs*” (Grade A)  
Positions: Chair of IEEE Student Branch, Core team member at Mozilla Club, Member at CompSoc, Instructor at Exploration Club, Batch representative at IUD

**Maliyadeva College** *Jan. 2001 - Dec. 2014*  
G.C.E. Advance Level Examination - Physical Science Stream  
Positions: President of Robotics Club, Team Lead of Hardware and Networking Group

## PUBLICATIONS

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- [1] **[Journal]** O. Mudannayake\*, D. Rathnayake\*, J. D. Herath, D. K. Fernando, and M. Fernando, “Exploring Machine Learning and Deep Learning Approaches for Multi-Step Forecasting in Municipal Solid Waste Generation,” in *IEEE Access*, vol. 10, pp. 122570-122585, 2022, [[doi: 10.1109/ACCESS.2022.3221941](https://doi.org/10.1109/ACCESS.2022.3221941)].
- [2] **[Conference]** O. Mudannayake and N. Ranasinghe, “kMatrix: A Space Efficient Streaming Graph Summarization Technique,” 2021 10th International Conference on Information and Automation for Sustainability (ICIAfS), 2021, pp. 161-166, [[doi: 10.1109/ICIAfS52090.2021.9606137](https://doi.org/10.1109/ICIAfS52090.2021.9606137)].

\* Equal contribution

## ARTICLES IN REVIEW

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- [1] H. Samaranayake, O. Mudannayake, D. Perera, P. Kumarasinghe, C. Suduwella, K. De Zoysa, and P. Wimalaratne, “Detecting Water In Visual Image Streams Captured From Unmanned Aerial Vehicles”.
- [2] O. Mudannayake, A. Indika, and U. Jayasinghe, “Privacy Preserved Machine Learning using Secure Multi-party Computing: A Survey”.
- [3] O. Mudannayake, K. Senarathne, S. Farook, L. De Mel, and C. Jayanaka, “Leveraging Spatial and Temporal Data for Enhanced Wildfire Spread Prediction”.

## EXPERIENCE

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**Senior Data Science Engineer (Full-time)** *Nov. 2021 - Present*  
WSO2 Sri Lanka

<b>Research Assistant (Part-time)</b> <i>University of Colombo School of Computing</i> · Advised by Dr. Noel Fernando	<i>May. 2021 - Present</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Data Science Engineer (Full-time)</b> WSO2	<i>Apr. 2021 - Oct. 2021</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Researcher (Part-time)</b> <i>Sustainable Computing Research (SCoRe) Lab</i> · Advised by Dr. Mohamed Nabeel	<i>Aug. 2020 - Dec. 2021</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Software Engineer - IAM Team (Full-time)</b> WSO2	<i>Mar. 2020 - Mar. 2021</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Research Intern (Full-time)</b> <i>University of Colombo School of Computing - Distributed Computing Group</i> · Advised by Dr. Nalin Ranasinghe	<i>Jul. 2018 - Jan. 2019</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Student Developer</b> <i>CERN-HSF - Google Summer of Code</i>	<i>May. 2018 - Aug. 2018</i> Remote
<b>Software Developer (Contract)</b> <i>Language Matters</i> · Supervised by Dr. Leonie Solomons	<i>Jan. 2018 - Mar. 2020</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Software Developer (Contract)</b> <i>Dreamteam IT Solutions</i> · Supervised by Dr. Gihan Kuruppu	<i>Feb. 2016 - Jan. 2017</i> Sri Lanka
<b>Course Instructor (Contract)</b> <i>Dreamteam IT Solutions</i>	<i>Jan. 2016 - Jun. 2016</i> Sri Lanka

## SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

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- [1] AutoML Fall School Scholarship, 2021
- [2] Dataquest & AI Inclusive Scholarship, 2021
- [3] Tokyo Data Science Full Scholarship, 2020
- [4] Commonwealth of Learning Coursera Scholarship by Commonwealth of Learning, Canada, 2020
- [5] HackZurich Travel grant, 2019
- [6] AI Summer School Singapore Scholarship<sup>1</sup>, 2019
- [7] ownCloud Conference Travel grant by CERN and ownCloud, 2018
- [8] Hack the North Travel grant, 2018

## HONOURS & AWARDS

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- [1] Merit Award at Datathon (SLIIT Codefest) by Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology, 2019
- [2] \*IEEE Regional Exemplary Student Branch 2020 under Region 10 and Sri Lanka Section by IEEE, 2019
- [3] \*Bronze category winner of IEEE Darrel Chong Student Activity Award 2020 by IEEE, 2019
- [4] \*Best Student Branch Activity Award for GameRush at IEEE SLSYWC 2019 by IEEE, 2019
- [5] 1<sup>st</sup> place at Codezilla by Mozilla Campus Club of Uva Wellassa University, 2018
- [6] 1<sup>st</sup> place at LetMeHack by Sabaragamuwa University, 2018
- [7] Award of Appreciation at University of Colombo School of Computing on recognizing the outstanding achievements in hackathons and coding competitions., 2017
- [8] <sup>†</sup>Best Industry Collaborative Award at IEEE SLSYWC 2017 by IEEE, 2017
- [9] <sup>‡</sup>Best Student Branch Activity Award at IEEE SLSYWC 2017 by IEEE, 2017
- [10] 2<sup>nd</sup> place at Persistent Hackathon by Persistent Systems Lanka, 2017
- [11] 2<sup>nd</sup> place at HACKiNTRA by University of Jaffna, 2017
- [12] Finalist at CodeFest Designathon by Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology, 2017
- [13] Finalist at SS12 Asia by IEEE, 2017
- [14] 3<sup>rd</sup> place at Dialog Game Dev Hackathon by Dialog Axiata, 2017

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<sup>1</sup>I did not accept this scholarship as I could not attend the event due to university examinations.

- [15] 1<sup>st</sup> place at Mozilla Web Maker Party by Mozilla Club of University of Colombo School of Computing, 2016
- [16] 2<sup>nd</sup> place at CodeFest Tertiary Hackathon by Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology, 2016
- [17] 1<sup>st</sup> place at IEEE preXtreme 1.0 by IEEE Student Branch of University of Colombo School of Computing, 2016
- [18] 6<sup>th</sup> place at ACES Coders by University of Peradeniya, 2016
- [19] 5<sup>th</sup> place at Code Expertz by University of Moratuwa, 2016

\* President of the IEEE Student Branch of UCSC

† Finance Team Lead of IEEE TAP project

‡ Program Team Lead of CloudHack 17 hackathon

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

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- [1] Machine Learning over Encrypted Data, Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science (SLAAS) Exhibition, Sri Lanka, Dec. 2018

## ORAL PRESENTATIONS

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- [1] kMatrix: A Space Efficient Streaming Graph Summarization Technique, IEEE ICIAfS, Sri Lanka, Jul. 2021

## INVITED TALKS

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- [1] Invited speaker, Career guidance for undergraduates by UCSC ACM Student Chapter at University of Colombo School of Computing, Sri Lanka, 2021
- [2] A new CORS Valve for the WSO2 Identity Server by IAM Community Call by WSO2 at WSO2, Sri Lanka, 2020
- [3] Invited speaker, Rust 101 by Mozilla Club of UCSC at University of Colombo School of Computing, Sri Lanka, 2019
- [4] Invited speaker, Lightning talk on Phoenix by ownCloud Conference 2018 at ownCloud GmbH, Germany, 2018

## WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

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- [1] International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), May. 2023
- [2] Online Asian Machine Learning School at 13th Asian Conference on Machine Learning, Nov. 2021
- [3] AutoML Fall School, Nov. 2021
- [4] ACM Europe Summer School on HPC Computer Architectures for AI and Dedicated Applications by Barcelona Supercomputing Center and Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Aug. 2021
- [5] AI Summer School Singapore 2021, Jul. 2021
- [6] Qiskit Global Summer School 2021: Quantum Machine Learning, Jul. 2021
- [7] AI Summer School Singapore 2020, Aug. 2020

## SELECTED PROJECTS

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**Realtime Property Evaluation of Large Streaming Graphs** Jan. 2019 - Jan. 2020

*Graphs, Graph Summarization, Python*

Developed a system for summarizing graph streams, addressing a significant problem in the field of large-scale graph analysis and demonstrating the potential of realtime property evaluation for large-scale graphs.

**TessTA**

Jan. 2018 - Mar. 2020

*ML, OCR, React, Java, Spring Boot, Hibernate, Tesseract, AWS*

Created an OCR solution for the Sinhala language utilizing the Tesseract OCR Engine.

**Machine Learning over Encrypted Data**

Jul. 2018 - Jan. 2019

*ML, Encryption, Tensorflow, Python, Google Cloud Platform*

Worked on developing a layer over Tensorflow that enabled machine learning on encrypted data across a distributed network of machines.

**Intelligent Traffic Light System**

Feb. 2017 - Nov. 2017

*Tensorflow, Python, Angular, NodeJS, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, Ionic Framework, GCP*

Automated a traditional time interval based traffic light system to improve traffic management by removing the need for traffic officers and replacing the round robin light schedule with an adaptive system.

<b>Bra Elasticity Analyzing System</b> <i>Image processing, OpenCV, Java, Swing</i> Developed a method for comparing the elasticity of sports bras using image processing.	Mar. 2016 - Jan. 2017
<b>Yarn Detection System</b> <i>Image processing, OpenCV, Python, Raspberry Pi</i> Developed a solution to detect the knots in yarn threads used in glove weaving machines, resulting in significant savings of hundreds of needles wasted per day and reduced hours of manpower.	Mar. 2016 - Jan. 2017
<b>Glove Defect Identification System</b> <i>Image processing, OpenCV, Python</i> Utilized image processing to identify common defects in gloves as they were being conveyed on a conveyor belt, enabling the automatic rejection of defective gloves without human intervention, and automating the entire pipeline.	Jan. 2016 - Jun. 2016
<b>Smart Glove</b> <i>Java, JavaFX, FSR 400, Arduino</i> Designed a glove prototype that measures the pressure distribution and acceleration of the hand to derive optimal patterns of movement for cricket players, taking into account the hand pressure.	Jan. 2016 - Jun. 2016

## CERTIFICATIONS

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- [1] Advanced Machine Learning on Google Cloud Specialization by Coursera, 2021
- [2] Data Engineering, Big Data, and Machine Learning on GCP Specialization by Coursera, 2021
- [3] Machine Learning on Google Cloud Specialization by Coursera, 2021
- [4] Deep Learning Specialization by Coursera, 2020
- [5] Natural Language Processing Specialization by Coursera, 2020
- [6] DeepLearning.AI TensorFlow Developer Specialization by Coursera, 2020
- [7] Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) Specialization by Coursera, 2020
- [8] Qwicklabs quests on ML and Data Science -by Qwicklabs, 2020
- [9] Oracle Certified Professional Java SE 6 Programmer by Oracle, 2015
- [10] Robotics & Automation by Dreamteam IT Solutions, 2015
- [11] Professional Certified Java Developer by Dreamteam IT Solutions, 2015
- [12] Diploma in Software Engineering by Esoft, 2013
- [13] Diploma in PC Hardware and Network Administration by Esoft, 2010

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Computer Languages</b>	Python, Java, C
<b>Numerical Computing</b>	MATLAB, Octave, Numpy
<b>ML</b>	Scikit, Tensorflow
<b>ML Packages</b>	Darts
<b>Image Processing</b>	OpenCV
<b>Databases</b>	MySQL, MongoDB, Redis
<b>Cloud Platforms</b>	GCP, AWS
<b>Other</b>	Linux, Git, Jupyter Notebook

## MENTORING

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- [1] Mentor at SCoRe Lab in Google Summer of Code, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
- [2] Mentor at ReidCon by UCSC, 2021
- [3] Mentor at SCoRe Lab in Google Code-In, 2016, 2017, 2018
- [4] Mentor at 2nd Year Group Project Mentoring by IEEE Student Branch of UCSC, 2018
- [5] Question Panel Member - preXtreme 2.0 - IEEE Student Branch of UCSC, 2017
- [6] Mentor at International School Software Competition (ISSC) by Computer Society of Sri Lanka, 2017
- [7] Mentor at Help to Code by Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka, 2017
- [8] Mentor at National School Software Competition (NSSC) by Computer Society of Sri Lanka, 2016

## VOLUNTEERING & COMMITTEE POSITIONS

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- [1] Volunteer at ICLR, 2023

- [2] Judge panel member (Area: ML) at IntelliHack by IEEE CS Chapter of UCSC, 2023
- [3] Judge panel member at IEEE YESIST12 2021 Junior Einstein Track by IEEE, 2021
- [4] Judge panel member (Area: ML) at MadHack by IEEE Student Branch of UCSC, 2021
- [5] Core Team Member at Google Developer Group (GDG) Sri Lanka, 2019
- [6] President of IEEE Student Branch of UCSC, 2019
- [7] Team Lead at Mozilla activate Sri Lanka - Rust Team, 2019
- [8] Web Master of IEEE Sri Lanka Section - Student activity Committee (SAC), 2018
- [9] Secretary of IEEE Student branch of UCSC, 2018
- [10] Operational Committee Member at Mozilla Activate Sri Lanka, 2018
- [11] Android Developer at Global Geek Sustainable Learning Kingdom (GGSLK) Sri Lanka, 2018
- [12] Operational Committee Member at Program Team - IEEE Student/YP/WIE Congress, 2017
- [13] Finance Team Lead at Technological Awareness Project by IEEE Sri Lanka Section, 2017
- [14] Program Team Lead at CloudHack 17 by IEEE Student Branch of UCSC, 2017
- [15] Core Team Member at Mozilla Club UCSC, 2017
- [16] Coordinator at IEEE Student Branch of UCSC, 2017
- [17] Operational Committee Member at Finance Team - Innover (IEEE IAS IOT Workshop), 2016
- [18] Operational Committee Member at Program Team - IEEE Day UCSC, 2016
- [19] Instructor at UCSC Exploration Club, 2016
- [20] President of Robotics Club at Maliyadeva College, 2012, 2013