

# RUTWIK DHIRUBHAI PATEL

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## EDUCATION

**University of Southern California (Viterbi School of Engineering)** **Aug 2023 - May 2025\***  
Masters of Science in Computer Science (spec. in Data Science) **GPA 3.83/4**  
*Course: Analysis of Algorithm, Database Systems, NLP, Web Technologies*

**University of Mumbai (Dwarkadas J. Sanghvi College of Engineering), India** **Aug 2019 - Jun 2023**  
Bachelor of Technology Information Technology with *Distinction* **GPA 3.8/4**  
*Relevant Courses: Data Structures and Algorithms, Advanced Machine Learning, Soft-computing, Computer Networks and Security, Web Design, Database Management Systems, Image Processing and Computer Vision*

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C, R | Database: NoSQL(MongoDB), SQL, PostgreSQL, Redis, Neo4j, cypher
- Web Technologies: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, PHP | Framework: React, Angular, Django, Node.js, Express.js
- Libraries: Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, PyTorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, Beautiful Soup, NLTK, Statistical modeling techniques.
- Other: Git, REST API, Linux, AWS, GCP.

## EXPERIENCE

**Smart Consultant, Mumbai, India** **May 2022 – Jul 2022**  
*Software Development Engineer (SDE) Intern*

- Collaborated with a 4-member team to design and develop a full-stack web application, leveraging Python, ReactJS, Django, SQL, and PostgreSQL, ensuring robust backend functionality and seamless frontend integration.
- Developed key features for a Library Management application from the ground up, focusing on advanced database management using SQL, including user registration, book inventory management, lending and return processes.
- Implemented dynamic search functionality within the application, leveraging advanced SQL queries and ensured fast, accurate retrieval of information, enhancing the overall user experience

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

### Cataract detection using Explainable AI (XAI)

- Led a team of 3, built a cataract detection project in Python with a CNN model for cataract prediction with 97% accuracy and XAI techniques to determine why CNN model is producing certain results interns increasing the performance of doctors.
- Generated a model incorporating GradCAM for detecting and localising cataracts in eye, presented project findings and progress to stakeholders, bridging gap between technical details and non-technical stakeholders.
- Utilized Python, StreamLit, MongoDB, and various XAI libraries to drive project success.

### Second-hand Book Selling Using the CNN model

- Managed a team of 4, developed a MERN website for college students to buy and sell second-hand books to other students by creating database of 100+ second-hand books with 4 pictures per book.
- Generated a CNN model for predicting book conditions, incorporated a collaborative filtering-based book recommendation feature, and integrated Keras-OCR to automatically extract book details improving accessibility and usability for users.
- Employed tech stack including React, Python, Express, MongoDB, Keras-OCR to implement innovative solution.

### Federated learning to preserve the privacy of user data

- Authored, presented, and published a paper in IEEE in 9th Somaiya International Conference on Technology and Information Management (SICTIM) 2023 in March-April 2023, ISBN: 979-8-3503-3329-9.
- Devised a project to predicts diagnosis of two urinary system diseases in a federated way maintaining user privacy.
- Constructed a function dividing dataset into three equal parts, trains each part using a logistic regression model, and then transmits these models to a trusted aggregator for computing average.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Took an active role as a backend developer and managed a team during intense 24-hour hackathon, Codeshastra, hosted by the DJ Computer Society of India in 2022.
- Took lead in expanding data science expertise by completing professional course of IBM Data Science (2021–2022), University of Michigan's Python Data Structures course (2021).
- Contributed as a Teaching Assistant for the Data Structures Course, conducting lectures on topics including Stack, Queue, Greedy Algorithm, and Amortized Cost, and resolved queries through doubt solving sessions