# **SAHIL MODI**



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## **EDUCATION**

## B.S. Computer Science, Minor in Statistics

## University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**E** GPA: 3.95/4.00

# **EXPERIENCE**

## **EarthSense**

#### **Computer Vision Intern**

May 2019, Aug 2019 - Present

♦ Champaign, IL

- Researched computer vision & machine learning algorithms to recognize key plant traits through an autonomous robot platform
- Trained a Convolutional Neural Network on a 90-10 split dataset that classifies lodging of wheat with 80% accuracy
- Deployed a TensorFlow ML model to detect and count plant stems with 96% accuracy
- Proposed additional data collection metrics to address overfitting

## Northrop Grumman

## **Software Engineering Intern**

May 2019 - Aug 2019

**♀** Rolling Meadows, IL

- Developed a C# application to configure and test missile warning algorithms and pulled in project schedule by 2 months
- Implemented an algorithm to determine orientation from a set of points with singular value decomposition

#### **Swarm Robotix**

#### **Software Engineering Intern**

May 2018 - Aug 2018

♥ Naperville, IL

- Worked in a team of 5 people to design software architecture for an autonomous swarm of robots
- Collaborated with 2 people to create vision algorithms with OpenCV that detected corner castings
- Applied known SLAM algorithms with A\* path planning on a TurtleBot for real-time navigation

#### **DASLab**

## **Undergraduate Research Assistant**

**May 2018 - May 2018** 

**Q** Urbana, IL

- Wrote scripts to automatically update individual robots to the latest software
- Created a user-facing configuration page on Android that sets robot data collection properties

# **COURSES & SKILLS**

- Data Structures, Algorithms, Reinforcement Learning, Computational Photography
- Calculus, Linear Algebra, Discrete Math
- Proficient: C++, Python, C, C#, Java, OpenCV
- Familiar: TensorFlow, Keras, Android

# **PROJECTS**

# **HackIllinois Stock Analysis**

- A python package that determines sentiment about a company from its tweets using NLTK
- Correlates tweets to stock price and predicts future stock price
- Linear, ridge regression, and a CNN are used for prediction and compared against each other

## **CU-Recycle**

- Developed a Android application to determine if an item is recyclable in the Urbana-Champaign area
- The application contained a neural network that was trained with Keras and TensorFlow Lite
- Major challenges were different lighting, object variety, and recyclability

## **LEADERSHIP**

#### **DGS Leaders**

## 2019 - Present

Representative

- Providing advice to Division of General Studies director on pre-engineering events and information
- Serving on engineering student panel for prospective and incoming students

#### **Engineering Freshmen Council**

**2017 - 2018** 

IT Chair

- Redesigned Engineering Freshmen Council website
- Helped coordinate Freshmen-Week events

## iRobotics MRDC

**2017 - 2018** 

Software Lead

Designed and developed the robot's codebase for communication and control

# **HONORS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Clorox design competition
- CU-Recyle won 2<sup>nd</sup> place at a Research Park Hackathon (PygHacks)
- James Scholar academic honors
- Tau Beta Pi engineering honors society member