# SAHIL AJAY ADIVAREKAR

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### **EDUCATION**

1. The Pennsylvania State University, University Park

Masters in Computer Science and Engineering | 3.48 / 4.0

Coursework: Data Structure and Algorithms, Adversarial Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Vision and Language

2. University of Mumbai Aug 2019 to May 2023

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Engineering | 9.1 / 10.0

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Proficient: Python [4+ years], Intermediate: Java [1+ years], SQL [2+ years], Beginner: C, Java Script

Technologies: Hugging-Face, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Django and Django REST APIs, Android, Firebase

Software: GitHub, Ubuntu Terminal, Android Studios, MySQL Workbench

### **PROJECTS**

#### 1. Context-Awareness Neurosymbolic Image Augmentation

- Developed a novel image augmentation framework integrating CLIP, FILIP, and BART to create context-aware composite images by combining symbolic rules and multi-modal representations.
- Implemented a neurosymbolic pipeline to generate realistic blended images, utilizing pre-trained models for feature extraction, context alignment, and symbolic reasoning.
- Explored cross-modal synergies to advance the field of neurosymbolic image generation, contributing to research on multi-modal and symbolic reasoning in artificial intelligence.

# 2. Feature Mixing with Gradient Descent for Image Augmentation in Plant Disease Detection

- Developed a feature-based image augmentation technique leveraging the Hadamard matrix for enhanced data diversity.
- Optimized the augmentation process using Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) to maintain effective feature mixing.
- Improved model performance on plant disease detection tasks by integrating the augmentation technique with architectures like ResNet-50, VGG-16 and VGG-19.

# **EXPERIENCE & INTERNSHIP**

### 1. Research Assistant at Penn State University

July 2024 to Present

**Expected Graduation: May 2025** 

- Currently working on analyzing data extracted from Zulu trade to determine the patterns on different traders.
- Conducted in-depth research on U.S. election-related news articles and state-specific electoral rules and regulations.
- Performed web scraping to automate data collection from reliable sources and analyzed the data to identify trends and patterns in electoral processes and voter behavior.

### 2. Teaching Assistant at Penn State University

Aug 2023 to Dec 2024

- Assisted students in BA 840, CMPSC 465, CMPSC 464, and CMPSC 131 by guiding them in relational databases, SQL, data structures, algorithms, theory of computation, and Python programming fundamentals.
- Additionally automated the process of assignment grading to ease the evaluation workload, improve consistency in grading, and provide quicker feedback to students

### 3. Software Developer at Nexacore Solutions, India

Jun 2024 to Aug 2024

- Designed and implemented automation solutions for client workflows using Google Apps Script, streamlining business operations and reducing manual effort.
- Automated data management, reporting, and communication tasks thus leading to a measurable increase in operational efficiency.

### 4. Software Developer at Croblaze, India

Dec 2021 to Mar 2022

- Developed and maintained APIs using Django REST Framework to support user authentication, checkout cart, and payment gateway functionalities.
- Implemented two-factor authentication and industry-standard security measures to enhance data protection and user confidence.

### RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- Plant Disease Detection Leveraging Latent Space based Mixing Methods for Image Data Augmentation
   Suryawanshi V. A, Sarode T. K, Adivarekar S. A. Plant Disease Detection Leveraging Latent Space based Mixing Methods for Image Data Augmentation. Curr Agri Res 2024; 12(3). Available from: https://bit.ly/4fSb1xS
- Implementation of Exploratory Data Analysis on Weather Data
   S. Adivarekar
   S. Nanwani
   N. Mandal and T. Sarode
   "Implementation of Exploratory Data Analysis on Weather Data
   "2023
   International Conference on Communication System
   Computing and IT Applications (CSCITA)
   Mumbai
   India
   10.1109/CSCITA55725.2023.10104864
- 3. Comparative Study of Regularization Techniques for VGG16, VGG19 and ResNet-50 for Plant Disease Detection Suryawanshi, V., <u>Adivarekar, S.</u>, Bajaj, K., Badami, R. (2023). Comparative Study of Regularization Techniques for VGG16, VGG19 and ResNet-50 for Plant Disease Detection. In: Kumar, S., Hiranwal, S., Purohit, S., Prasad, M. (eds) Proceedings of International Conference on Communication and Computational Technologies. ICCCT 2023. Algorithms for Intelligent Systems. Springer, Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-99-3485-0\_61