# Lehar Sai Sankalp Dasari

Phone: +1(540) 558-5764 | Blacksburg, VA

Email: sankalpdasari@vt.edu | LinkedIn | GitHub | Portfolio

**EDUCATION** 

### Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

2023-Present

**Expected Graduation: Dec 2026** 

Major: B.S. in Computer Science | Minor: Cybersecurity

GPA: 3.51/4.0 | In Major GPA: 3.61/4.0 | Dean's List: Spring 2024, Fall 2025 | President's List: Spring 2025

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Discrete Mathematics, Computer Organization I and II, Software Design and Data Structures, Applied Combinatorics, Graph Theory, Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra

**EXPERIENCE** 

#### Co-Founder & AI/ML Lead

Jun 2025-Present

Virginia Tech IDPro Research: Carbon Qapture

Blacksburg, VA

- Leading rapid prototyping of ML models for CO<sub>2</sub> capture, leveraging Python, Scikit-learn, and model selection tools to support enterprise-grade AI PoCs in a research-driven, collaborative environment.
- Transitioning from neural networks to interpretable models (linear/logistic regression) to identify key MOF features.
- Applying Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC) to select optimal models, targeting 15% higher accuracy over neural network baseline.

#### **R&D Team- Sensing Sub Team**

Sep 2024 – Present

GraVT Design Team

Blacksburg, VA

- Developed real-time rocket tracking system using Image Detection and Machine Learning with OpenCV and TensorFlow.
- Led the transition from hardware-based altimeters to computer vision, decreasing component costs by \$2000 per semester while maintaining tracking accuracy
- Accelerated object detection runtime by 30% through refactoring TensorFlow-based models into optimized C/C++ code, improving
  responsiveness and precision, enabling more accurate real-time data processing.

### **Software Engineering Intern**

Jun 2024 - Aug 2024

Prospect Infosystem Pvt. Ltd.

Hyderabad, India

- Built full-stack web applications using **Java (Spring Boot)** for **RESTful** APIs for backend development and Angular for frontend Development, with **Postman** for API testing.
- Implemented error logging via Splunk to proactively trace and resolve backend faults in Apache Kafka message pipelines.
- Contributed to an Agile and scrum environment, following OOP and version-controlled distributed system workflows.

#### PROJECTS AND HACKATHONS

### DNAVault | Python, NumPy, GitHub, Git, React

Jun 2025

### Personal Project

- Designed a hybrid encryption system combining AES-128 with Kyber -512 (Post-quantum Key Encapsulation Mechanism) to secure genomic DNA data, which is immune to Shor's algorithm and withstands quantum attacks in polynomial time.
- Implemented a **two-level** encryption approach by encrypting AES round keys with Kyber for post-quantum resilience, Brute-forcing the AES-128 encryption requires 2<sup>128</sup> operations (~10<sup>18</sup> years classically, ~2<sup>64</sup> operations with the right Grover's algorithm), making the system unbreakable under current and future threat models.
- Transformed DNA sequences into 4×4 binary matrices compatible with AES, enabling symmetric encryption of biological data.

## Carbon Qapture | Python, Pandas, PyTorch, NumPy, Scikit-learn, React, Git, GitHub

Apr 2025

Hackathon-Bitcamp 2025 Winner | Best Hack Promoting Public Health by Bloomberg

College Park, MD

- Built a Quantum-AI framework using Python to simulate and design new Metal-Organic Frameworks for CO<sub>2</sub> capture, achieving 98.3% accuracy from the Neural Network.
- Trained on 324,000+ MOF structures, the neural network, found 8000+ suitable for CO<sub>2</sub> capture and ranked them based on effectiveness.
- Weighed 50+ properties per MOF to calculate scores and generate 10 novel high-performing MOF candidates with all their properties to generate a CIF file that can be used to visualize the new structure.
- Presented model performance and system design to judges, securing Bloomberg's Best Hack promoting Public Health award.

# FinPoint: AI Powered Credit Card Fraud Detection | Python, NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn Hackathon- Hackviolet 2025

Feb 2025

Blacksburg, VA

- Built a real-time fraud detection system using **XGBoost** (Extreme Gradient Boosting) trained on transaction data to identify anomalies such as geolocation shifts, time-based inconsistencies, and spending volatility.
- Achieved 99.95% accuracy, 98–99% precision, and 97–98% recall, outperforming baseline models such as regression models.
- Weighed and processed 30+ transaction features to detect and flag fraudulent behavior in real-time.

#### **SKILLS**

Languages: Java, C, C++, Python, SQL, JavaScript, Typescript

Frameworks and Libraries: Angular, Spring Boot, React.js, PyTorch, NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow, OpenCV

Tools: Splunk, Apache Kafka, AWS, Docker, Git, GitHub, Postman

**Operating Systems:** Windows, Linux