Athar Sheikh

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Education

MS in Computer Science

University of Notre Dame, Indiana, USA

2023-2025

GPA: 3.62/4.0

BS in Information Science

RV College of Engineering, Bangalore, India

2016-2020

GPA: 8.6/10

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Algorithms, Graduate Operating Systems, Human-Computer Interaction, Graph Neural Networks, Advanced Computer Architecture, Data Visualization, Networks, Secure Software Engineering

Professional Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug 2024 - May 2025

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

- Developed a framework integrating RAG with LLMs for enhanced accuracy in IoT administrative tasks
- Fine-tuned a BERT model for IoT anomaly detection to proactively address cybersecurity risks.
- Designed a unified framework combining RAG-based contextual question answering with BERT-based anomaly detection.

Software Engineer 2

Jan 2022 - Aug 2023

JP Morgan Chase & Co., Bangalore, India

- Led financial reporting tool development for UK clients, ensuring accurate trial balance creation.
- Designed UI screens, developed APIs, and optimized data retrieval with efficient SQL queries.
- Managed on-call duties for service reliability across multiple regions.

Software Engineer 1

Aug 2020 - Dec 2021

JP Morgan Chase & Co., Bangalore, India

- Built dashboards for EMEA and NAMR clients, ensuring front-end and back-end consistency.
- Accelerated release cycles by automating CI/CD pipelines across environments.
- Improved database performance by 40% through indexing and partitioning.

Software Intern

Jan 2020 - Aug 2020

JP Morgan Chase & Co., Bangalore, India

• Developed interactive UI components using React and automated processes with advanced filtering techniques.

Publications

- Daniel Worae, Athar Sheikh, Spyridon Mastorakis (2025). A Unified Framework for Context-Aware IoT Management and State-of-the-Art IoT Traffic Anomaly Detection. ICDCS 2025. Submitted.
- Sheikh, A., Bs, A. (2020). Decomposing Monolithic Systems to Microservices. 2020 3rd International Conference on Computer and Informatics Engineering (IC2IE), Yogyakarta, Indonesia, IEEE.

Research Projects

Machine Learning for TCP Throughput Prediction

Aug 2024 - Dec 2024

Networks, Course Project

• Developed models using clustering and regression algorithms to analyze network performance data and predict TCP throughput by manually installing Raspberry Pis in 30+ participants homes.

Graph Neural Network-Based Vulnerability Detection in Source Code Aug 2024 - Dec 2024 Secure Software Engineering, Course Project

• Developed a GNN model for detecting code vulnerabilities using syntactic and semantic analysis with ASTs and NetworkX.

Hybrid Graph Neural Network for Image Classification

Jan 2024 - May 2024

Data Visualization, Course Project

• Developed and optimized a hybrid graph neural network (HGNN) model for image classification, achieving significant results.

Personalized Dietary Recommendations Using Graph Learning

Aug 2023 - Dec 2023

Graph Neural Network, Course Project

• Constructed heterogeneous graphs and evaluated various baselines (LightGCN, GCN, GraphSAGE, GAT) for link prediction tasks.

Machine Learning for System Modeling and Performance Prediction Aug 2023 - Dec 2023 Graduate Operating System, Course Project

• Analyzed performance metrics of applications on GPUs and single-core processors using linear, non-linear, and mechanistic-empirical models.

Learning Management System

Aug 2023 - Dec 2023

Human-Computer Interaction, Course Project

• Developed high-fidelity prototypes to integrate absent functionalities into Canvas, based on research through semi-structured interviews.

Inbound Processing Service

Jan 2020 - Aug 2020

Final Project, Bachelor's Degree Requirement

• Developed file upload handlers and preprocessing routines to manage inbound data, enhancing data filtering and storage efficiency.

Skills

- Programming: Python, C/C++, C#, Java, CUDA, Matlab, Git, LaTeX, Vim
- Web Development: HTML/CSS, JavaScript, MySQL, XML, React
- Software: Numpy, Matplotlib, NetworkX, Linux, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Docker, OpenCV, .NET Core

Certifications

- Machine Learning Specialization, Coursera (2024)
- Android Development, Udacity Nanodegree (2017)
- CS50, Harvard University (2017)

Achievements

- 2nd place, Code Wars 3.0, RVCE Bangalore
- Bronze Medal, HackerRank (Week of Code 38, World Code Sprint 13)