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### **Publications**

- Under review
  - \* Sriharsha Hatwar

    Deep dive into CoCon A Self Supervised approach for Controlled Text Generation [LINK]

    Blog post as Conference Contributions for International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2022)
- Accepted publications
  - \* Prajwal Chandrashekaraiah, Pranav kashyap, **Sriharsha Hatwar**, Srinivasa Murthy. **Lead Artist Identification from Music Videos using Auto-encoders** [LINK]

    Symposium on Machine Learning and Metaheuristics Algorithms, and Applications (SoMMA 2019)

### News

- (Jan, 2022) Presented our findings on **Debugging Data augmentation for Domain generalization** with future research direction at the Research Jam 6 of ML Collective. [RECORDING-LINK]
- (Aug. 2021) My task on 'Figure of speech detection' has been accepted at GoogleAI's Big Bench [LINK].
- (Aug. 2021) Came in top 13% in the Competition organized by Kaggle CommonLit Readability Prize
- (Jan 2021) My notes on different research papers are up and visible on my blog. [LINK]
- (Dec. 2020) Xperi Hackathon 2020 Popular choice award Team Xvision (Prize money 25,000 INR)
- (Jun, 2020) Attained bronze medal for top 8% private leader board in the Kaggle competition Tweet Sentiment Extraction (176th /2227 teams) [KAGGLE-PROFILE-LINK]

### Skills and Technologies.

- Programming Languages: Python, Java, Haxe, C++, C, Javascript
- Databases & Tech Stack: MySQL, PostgreSql, Redis, PyTorch, HuggingFace, Scikit-learn, Pandas, Flask, Splunk
- Build / Version control: Git, Perforce, Gradle

### Professional experience

### Tivo (Part of Xperi)

Software Engineer

July 2019 - Present

- Working on UI Enhancement, features, and bug fixes in the core UI/UX team that drives features for the latest Tivo products. [Linux STBs and recently launched streamers]
- Implemented Retry mechanism for IP Linear playback for streamers and built Splunk dashboard for monitoring.
- Redesigned and implemented Deeplinking of assets in streamers to third-party apps using Android Intent API.
- Involved in implementation of Subscription management for MSO operators.
- Redesigned TvBeacon Service for in-home device communication and reduced the round trip between mini and host STB for the latest Series 7 Set-top-boxes impacting 10k+ in-home devices.

Associate Software Engineer

July 2018 - July 2019

- Exposed to have cross-compiler toolkit, allowing one to target both Linux STBs (C++) and modern android based (Java) app for streamers.
- Redesigned UI Progress bar widget across screens, worked on automation tool for sending release notes, perform cherry-pick using a web-based interface.
- Implemented the HPK logging for the Bluetooth-based remote for enhancing debugging.
- Languages and Tech Stack: (Haxe, C++, C, Python, Java Android, JS), (Postgres, splunk, Flask, Sqlalchemy, bootstrap)

### Veveo (Subsidiary of Tivo)

 $Software\ Engineering\ Intern$ 

Jan 2018 - Jun 2018

- Worked on extracting metadata information from category section in wiki articles and enhanced metadata on media entities by around 3% overall.
- Implemented a rule-based engine to mine information. Later, parallelized the creation of the Knowledge Graph(KG) by utilizing map-reduce pipelines.
- Enhanced the Knowledge Graph(KG) by utilizing smart tags for each entity by exploiting the parent-child relationship between category nodes, created the complete KG by following the two-pass mechanism.
- Languages and Tech Stack: Python Spacy, NLTK, Scipy, numpy; HTML, Bootstrap, JS.

### Volunteering

### ML Collective (Formerly DL Collective)

Research member June 2021 - Present

- A non-profit ML research organization, where I am researching on building robustness machine learning models.
- Currently researching on providing an upper bound on generalization for Image data during distribution shifts.
- Worked on blog post submission for ICLR 2022. Presented the submission in one of the weekly presentation in the NLP-Reading-group.
- Assisted Dr. Rosanne Liu in solving a bug in the ML Collective website, later provided a proper fix. [LINK].

### In progress Projects\_

This indicates the work towards publication that is in progress as a member of ML Collective.

### Debugging Data augmentation for Domain generalization

Aug 2021

• This project started as an RFP (Request for Plot ), an initiative led by DEI at ICLR 2022. I am working on robust machine learning methods in collaboration with Jean-Michel Amath Sarr, a Ph.D. student. Additionally, researching on calculating the best possible distance metric between similar datasets (but different distribution) to provide an upper bound on generalization for distribution shifts.

### Projects.

This section contains selected projects and their brief description. More projects and detailed information at [LINK].

#### Tweet Sentiment Extraction

Mar - June 2020

- This research competition involved extracting the **sentiment-causing span** of text from a tweet given text and sentiment of the tweet. Experimented with several transformers and RNN architectures with different pretraining methodologies, added 1-D conv layer on top of transformers. Result: Top 8% and a bronze medal in Kaggle. **Jaccard Score**: 0.7175.
- Tags: NLP, Transformers, RNNs, transfer-learning, QA Task, Pytorch, HF transformers

#### Clothing Fashion Extraction from Video Songs

Jan - May 2018

- This project involved extracting clothing fashion items from the lead artist. Involved Identifying frames containing people, creating a face-body mapping, Identifying lead artists using auto-encoders (Accuracy: 70%). Finally used trivial Image processing methods like minimum spanning tree segmentation, background elimination to extract clothing.
- Tags: Computer Vision, Deep learning, Auto-Encoders, Clustering, segmentation, Python-Keras

#### FLYLY - A Web based chat application

Mar - May 2017

- Implemented a chat-based application similar to slack. Utilized socket.io for the real-time push of messages from Node.JS backend. Used a MySQL DB for storing and retrieving chat history.
- Tags: Web-based application, NodeJS, MySQL, socket.io, Bootstrap.

#### Education <sub>-</sub>

### PES University (Formerly PESIT)

July 2014 - Aug 2018

 $B.\,Tech\,\,in\,\,Computer\,\,Science\,\,(Specialization\,\,in\,\,Data\,\,science)$ 

Bangalore, India

Honors: First Class with Distinction (CGPA: 8.71)

Major courses undertaken: Data Structures, Operating Systems, Analysis of Algorithms, Algorithms for Information Retrieval, Social Network Analysis, Natural Language processing, Digital Image processing.

### Sri Aurobindo Pre University

June 2012 - Apr 2014

Pre-University Education, Class 12th (581/600 - 96.84%)

Shimoga, India

## Sandeepani High School

June 2009 - Mar 2012

Secondary Education, Class 10th (609/625 - 97.44%)

Shimoga, India

#### Other Achievements

- Distinction Award Have been awarded the distinction prize in all eight semesters during my undergrad.
- 522nd rank (out of 150,000 people) in Karnataka-CET examinations which secured me a spot in PES University.

#### Certifications\_

- Deeplearning.ai courses: Neural networks and Deep learning, Structuring Machine learning projects, Improving Deep Neural network hyperparamter tuning, Regularization and Optimization, Convolutional Neural Networks, CS224N: Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning
- Certificates of the above courses [Certificate 1], [Certificate 2], [Certificate 3], [Certificate 4]