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EDUCATION

Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA

Masters Computer Engineering Aug. 2024

Pune University
Pune, India

Bachelor's in Computer Engineering

Aug. 2015 – May 2019

EXPERIENCE

Course Grader - Applied Software Design

Aug 2024 – Present

Blacksburg, VA

Virginia Tech

• Graded all students assignments, projects and quizzes.

• Provided guidance to students on their assignments, giving critical feedback. Documented several procedures that helped students to grasp the concept easily.

Senior Consultant - Software

Jan 2023 – July 2024

Hitachi, Ltd Pune, MH

- \bullet Led global Workday implementation projects impacting 300K+ employees across 600+ companies, improving digital HRIT processes by 20%
- Managed a 3-member team and drove product development using Agile and Azure DevOps.

Consultant - Software

July 2019 - Dec 2022

Hitachi, Ltd Pune, MH

- Delivered 8+ end-to-end Workday implementations across industries, reducing processing errors by 30% through robust integrations
- Built a Q&A chatbot using AWS QnA Maker, Redis, Node.js, .NET, and C#.

Projects

Fetch Benchmarking with DreamerV3 and SAC | PyTorch, Gymnasium, MuJoCo, Tensorboard May 2025

- Implemented and benchmarked DreamerV3 (model-based RL) and SAC (model-free) on robotic manipulation (FetchReach & PickPlace).
- Achieved a 80% success rate on the Fetch Reach goal. Analyzed performance on success rate and convergence metrics - Code - View Paper

Factual QnA System using MoE LLMs and Knowledge Graphs | LoRA, Qwen, Neo4j, SPARQL May 2025

- Built a domain-aware Mixture-of-Experts QnA system over CoDEx KG with LoRA-finetuned expert models and hallucination-checking fact verifier
- Achieved 80% factual accuracy; integrated Neo4j triple lookup and fallback router for scalable QA. Code

Cattle BCS and Caliper Score Prediction using Multi-Modal Deep Learning

May 2025

- Built an end-to-end pipeline for predicting pig BCS and Caliper scores using RGB-D data, integrating YOLOv12 detection, SAM2 segmentation, and 4-channel preprocessing.
- Trained ResNet-50 and other DL models on folder-split data, achieving 80% BCS accuracy; addressed class imbalance using focal loss and weighted sampling.

Image Coloration using Deep Learning models | Pytorch, Matplotlib, OpenCV

Dec 2024

- Developed and compared multiple architectures—CNN Encoder-Decoder, U-Net with ResNet-18 backbone, and Conditional GAN (cGAN)—for automatic image colorization.
- Achieved progressive improvements in performance metrics: Mean Absolute Error (MAE) reduced from 0.0848 (CNN) to 0.0807 (cGAN), and Learned Perceptual Image Patch Similarity (LPIPS) score improved from 0.148 to 0.132, indicating enhanced color fidelity and realism View Paper

Dynamic Options Pricing using Deep Learning | Putorch. Matplotlib. Numpy. Pandas

Dec 2024

- Created a framework for dynamic options pricing with black scholes and Monte Carlo as benchmarks
- Explored MLPs, RNNs and LSTMs for efficient prediction of options for a time frame achieving 90% accuracy.

HF Detection using Deep Learning | Python, Flask, React, ML

Dec 2018 - May 2019

- Designed a custom CNN for HR detection with 92% accuracy and implemented SVM and Linear Regression for subtype classification and severity prediction, improving diagnostics by 20%.
- Built a scalable SQL database for 1,000+ records, integrated with ML pipelines, and optimized for 1M+ records.

Graduate Coursework

Maths: Stochastic Signals and Systems, Optimization ML

Languages: Deep Reinforcement Learning, Advance Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Natural

Language Processing

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Maths: Multivariate Calculus, Linear Algebra, Statistics

Languages: C++, Python, SQL (MySQL), JavaScript, HTML/CSS

Frameworks: Flask, Streamlit, FastAPI

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, AWS Cloud Platform **Libraries**: Pytorch, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Keras

AWARDS

Quarterly Award - HITACHI - Awarded for multiple successful project executions

Night of the Town Award - HITACHI - Awarded for successfully executing the Global LMS project and leading it Monthly - HITACHI - Awarded for one of the best automations

PUBLICATIONS

Medium Deep RL & DL Blogs - Link

HF Detection System - Link

Review of DL techniques in prediction of HF - Link