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## EDUCATION

**Columbia University** New York, USA  
**Master of Science in Data Science, 3.8/4.0** Aug 2021 - Dec 2022  
Coursework: Deep Learning, Advanced Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Representation Learning, Statistical Inference, Algorithms.

**B.M.S College of Engineering** Bangalore, India  
**Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communications, 9.37/10.0** Aug 2014 - May 2018  
Coursework: Python, Java, C, Operating Systems, Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Discrete Mathematics and Probability.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Columbia University, WiMNet Lab** New York, USA  
**Graduate Deep Learning Research Assistant** May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Increased classification accuracy by 30% using Convolutional Neural Networks on Fourier features of radar transmission.
- Developed Time Distributed CNN with LSTMs for image sequence classification, resulting in 35% increase in F1-Score.
- Optimized 5+ Random Forest Ensemble Models and Pipelines on Google Cloud for classification of wind speed from Datasets.
- Performed feature engineering with PCA and TSNE, analyzed 20+ experiment's data to visualize spatial and temporal properties.

**Cisco Systems** Bangalore, India  
**Network Engineer-II-Escalation Engineer** Jan 2020 - Jul 2021

- Forecasted resource requirements with Regression Models for 8 Quarters. Analyzed Team Performance metrics for 15 Teams.
- Designed Data Pipelines for real-time monitoring of Application Centric Infrastructure labs, improved server utilization by 40%.
- Supervised hiring and mentoring of 28 engineers in Networking, DevOps technologies, Python, and MongoDB.

**Network Engineer-II** Jul 2019 - Dec 2019

- Built models for anomaly detection in SSD performance for 500+ companies (9000+ switches), saving 3000+ work hours.
- Spearheaded 30+ projects to enhance Cisco product usability with containerized log analyzers, low-code and IaC platforms.

**Network Engineer-I** Jul 2018 - Jun 2019

- Debugged and Troubleshoot Cisco ACI's RAFT and Linux Subprocesses on distributed computing systems for 400+ Customers.
- Integrated Docker and Kubernetes services with ACI on AWS and Azure cloud services.

## PROJECTS

**BigEarthNet - Land use Classification from Remote Sensing Images** Mar 2022 - May 2022

- Implemented K-Branch CNN with Bidirectional-LSTM based multi-attention architecture for high resolution aerial images.
- Achieved 92% validation accuracy with Transfer learning using Xception architecture and a custom learning-rate scheduler.
- Won Gold Medal in 2-month long competition with models in top 1st percentile of F1-Score of 450+ models.

**Adversarial Training in Distillation of BERT** Jan 2022 - May 2022

- Investigated impact of teacher-student model-compression on robustness of 3 BERT-like Language Models with PyTorch.
- Trained semi-supervised GANBERT with 50% unlabeled data, performed distillation and evaluated robustness with TextAttack.
- Investigated performance of 4+ gradient-based adversarial data augmentation techniques with GANBERT and DISTILBERT.
- Identified teacher-student model compression reduces adversarial robustness by 70% under TextFooler Attack.

**Spectral Representations for Convolutional Neural Networks** Sep 2021 - Dec 2021

- Devised custom spectral pooling, frequency dropout, and spectral convolution TensorFlow layers with Fourier transform.
- Designed low pass filters for dimension reduction and custom imaginary weights Initializer for spectral convolution layer.
- Attained 80% test accuracy with a 40% decrease of training time with Bayesian Hyperparameter tuned spectral CNN.
- Achieved 2x - 5x times computational speed up with spectral parameterized CNN architectures for ImageNet and CIFAR-100.

## SKILLS

Programming Languages - Python, R, JavaScript, C++.  
Databases - SQL, Postgres, MongoDB, Elastic-Search.  
Python Frameworks - TensorFlow, HuggingFace, WandB, PyTorch, Onnx, Scikit-Learn, NLTK, OpenCV, Seaborn.  
Cloud Services - AWS Sagemaker, AWS Lex, AWS Lambda, AWS EKS, Azure Cloud, Google BigQuery, Google Compute.  
Infrastructure Technologies - Linux, ELK Stack, Docker, Kubernetes, Kafka, CI/CD Pipelines with Jenkins, Kubeflow.