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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, C, TypeScript, HTML, CSS, PHP, JavaScript, Ajax, SQL
- **Frameworks and tools:** PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, AWS Services (Kinesis, Lambda, KMS, SQS, S3, SNS, CloudWatch, CDK) Plotly, Scikit-Learn, Matplotlib, Pandas, Google Colab, Android Studio, JUnit, Mockito, PowerMock, Dagger 2

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Amazon - Alexa AI

May 2020 – Present

*Software Development Engineer - Intern*

- Prototyped fan-out Identity Function implementation of Alexa features representing feedback with dynamically configurable sources (SQS and Kinesis) and sinks (SQS, Kinesis, S3, and CloudWatch)
- Created a lambda function as a compute platform which auto-scales and transfers KMS encrypted data along with another lambda function as a configurable compute plane
- Optimized lambda memory by using Dagger Dependency Injection to simplify access to shared instances
- Constructed a CI/CD pipeline with integration tests and unit test coverage

### University of Groningen

August 2018 – October 2018

*Machine Learning Research Intern*

- Performed an extensive analysis of proposed feature selection algorithm as compared to existing feature selection methods such as Fisher Score, Generalized Matrix Learning Vector Quantization (GMLVQ), ReliefF and Boruta
- Researched and devised a new weighting scheme using Python resulting in considerable improvement in algorithm's performance
- Gained extensive knowledge about ensemble methods such as Random Forests, AdaBoost, and XGBoost

## PUBLICATION

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- Ahmad Alsahaf, Nicolai Petkov, Vikram Shenoy, George Azzopardi (2020), *A framework for feature selection through boosting*, Manuscript under review at the Information Sciences Journal

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

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### Multi-Layer Capsule Network for Recognition of Facial Features (PyTorch and Google Colab)

April 2020

- Proposed enhanced architecture of original Capsule Network model that provides required flexibility to generate encodings for capturing highly complex relationships between features
- Provided detailed analysis of new method (MLCN) along with state of the art facial recognition architectures such as Siamese CNN, FaceNet (Casia-Webface), and FaceNet (VGGFace 2)
- Achieved test accuracy of 80% after being trained on compact dataset of 320 facial images. Self-Supervised Pre-trained MLCN architecture achieved a test accuracy of 88.8% on same dataset

### Naïve Background Style Transfer (Keras and TensorFlow)

December 2019

- Created a binary mask for input image which segments foreground from background using Google's DeepLabv3+ pre-trained model
- Performed style transfer using generated mask for guiding stylized pixels onto background of content image to form an image filter

### Music Recommendation using Deep Learning (Keras and Google Colab)

May 2019

- Preprocessed data by producing mel-spectrograms for 8000 audio files, each of 30 seconds, from Free Music Archive dataset
- Designed a CNN on Google Colab for classifying 60,000 image slices of these mel-spectrograms into 8 different genres
- Predicted latent feature vectors using final network and established strong cosine similarity score between one song (anchor) and other similar songs in test set

## EDUCATION

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### Khoury College of Computer Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

May 2021

*Candidate for Master of Science in Computer Science: GPA: 4.0/4.0*

Related Courses: Program Design Paradigm, Foundations of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Algorithms

### University of Mumbai, Mumbai, India

May 2018

*Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Engineering: GPA: 3.63/4.0*