Aatman Vaidva

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EDUCATION

Ahmedabad University

July 2019 – June 2023

Email: aatmanvaidya@gmail.com

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering; GPA: 2.87/4

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer Engineer-I

August 2023 - Present

Tattle Civic Technologies

- I work on a open-source browser extension called Uli that redacts abusive content, archive problematic content, and collectively push back against online gender based violence.
- Programmed a feature that allows users to crowdsource slurs. Engineered RESTful APIs, designed and implemented the frontend, and managed the end-to-end development of the feature.
- o Conducted an analysis of state-of-the-art OCR techniques, including Large Vision Modles (LVM's), to detect text in images. Provided insights to advance claim extraction methodologies for detecting fake news in images with Indic languages.

Software Developer Intern

June 2022 - July 2022

Genuin Inc.

- Developed apps using CameraX API, work manager, and coroutines.
- Responsible to engineer a resilient method which captures video buffer reliably from live camera input.

Undergraduate Research Fellow

May 2021 - March 2022

School of Engineering and Applied Science, Ahmedabad University

- o Image Quality Index Worked with Dr. Keyur Joshi to build a Perceivable Image Blur Quality Index, aiding image classification using SSIM, MSE, and PSNR.
- o Analysing COVID-19 Second Wave Worked with Dr. Shipla Pandit to study people's psychological and physiological effects and experiences in the second wave of COVID-19 with the help of data analysis. This work is published in the Journal of Psychological Research.

Teaching Assistant

June 2022 - July 2022

School of Engineering and Applied Science, Ahmedabad University

• Graded tests, assignments and took tutorial sessions for the course of Discrete Mathematics.

PUBLICATIONS

P=Preprints, C=Conference,J=Journal

Analysing the Spread of Toxicity on Twitter [paper] [C.2]

Aatman Vaidya, Seema Nagar, Amit Nanavati

ACM International Conference on Data Science and Management of Data

[CODS-COMAD 2024]

[C.1]Forecasting the Spread of Toxicity on Twitter [accepted]

Aatman Vaidya, Seema Nagar, Amit Nanavati

IEEE International Conference on Cognitive Machine Intelligence

[IEEE CogMI 2023]

[P.1] The Uli Dataset: An Exercise in Experience Led Annotation of oGBV [paper]

Arnav Arora, ..., Aatman Vaidya, Tarunima Prabhakar et al. Pre-Print

[ArXiv]

Coping Resources of Young People Experiencing COVID-19 Second Wave, [J.1]

in India: A Preliminary Study [paper]

Shilpa Pandit, Aatman Vaidya, Aangi Shah, Eshva Shah et al.

Journal of Psychosocial Research

[JPR 2022]

Talks & Shared Task

Invited Talk, Digital Citizen Summit Speaker

November 2023

> Panel discussion on "Building tools to respond to Online Gender Based Violence".

Shared task on Gendered Abuse Detection in Indic Languages Organizer

Nov 2023 - Dec 2023

> Organised a shared task at 20th International Conference on Natural Language Processing (ICON) - India's flagship NLP conference.

Invited Speaker, ACM Winter School on Network Science Organizer

Dec 2023

> Talked on how to build a NLP classifier to detect hate-speech. Conducted a hands-on tutorial for 25+ students.

Undergraduate Thesis

Analysing the Spread of the Toxicity on Twitter - Proposed a novel model to capture the spread of hate speech on Twitter. Found that toxicity in a network is not conserved. To capture this spread of toxicity, we categorize users as Amplifiers, Attenuators, or Copycats. Our model successfully replicates the increase in toxicity in simulated (Barabási–Albert graphs) and real-world networks.

Extended this work by looking at toxicity as a time series and used Transformers along with Graph CNN's to forecast the spread of toxicity on Twitter.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Bosch Future Mobility Challenge Programmed and Engineered an autonomous driving car to navigate a miniature city. One of the 24 teams out of 118, and only team from India selected for the finals in Cluj, Romania. Devised path planning algorithms, optimised object detection.
- Ingenious Hackathon 3.0 Won the Open-Source Track. Build a website for peer-to-peer file transfer.

PROJECTS

- Ambutrack Uber for Ambulances. Helps an ambulance reach faster to a patient. The app is made in Java and Android Studio.
- Sentiment Analysis of Online Harassment Towards Women Wrestlers Created a YouTube Dataset to track gender based violence using a crowd-sourced slur list. Used string matching algorithms and ML models for Indic languages to do text analysis.
- Coronary Artery Disease Prediction Developed a supervised machine learning model using k-NN and Logistic Regression classifiers to predict an individual's 10-year future risk of Coronary Artery Disease.

SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, Kotlin

Frameworks/ Libraries: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Nodejs, OpenCV, networkx, CameraX, Sequelize ORM

Databases and Developer Tools: MySQL, MongoDB, Git, GitHub, Android Studio, Firebase, Docker

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Android Study Jams Facilitator, conducted 3 sessions teaching Android Development in Kotlin to 40+ students.
- Committee member at Programming Club. Co-organized and curated 30+ Web Development, Machine Learning, and Technology events.
- Teacher at Center for Learning Empowerment I teach secondary school kids mathematics.
- Student Ambassador Worked at the Office of Undergraduate Admissions and assisted Campus Tours.
- Volunteer at Humankind Created Educational Content for underprivileged people in Ahmedabad on Hygiene and Money. Investing.