# ABHISHEK MOHTA

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Carnegie Mellon University - School of Computer Science

December 2019

Masters in Computer Science, CGPA: 4.11/4.0

Coursework: Neural Networks for NLP\*, Parallel Computer Architecture and Programming\*, Machine Learning,

Deep Learning, Probability and Mathematical Statistics, Computer Systems

Teaching Assistant: Topics in Deep Learning\*

#### Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) Pilani, Goa, India

July 2017

M.Sc. Economics, B.E. Computer Science, CGPA: 9.41/10 Merit Scholar - 8/10 semesters (top 2% of >600 students)

#### **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: C, Java, Python, C#

Tools and Frameworks: PyTorch, CNTK, Git, Powershell, Visual Studio

#### EXPERIENCE

#### Microsoft Research, Research Fellow, Bangalore, India

July 2017 - June 2018

- · Guide: Dr. Prateek Jain, Senior Researcher, Microsoft Research India
- · Enhanced the PROSE framework (in MS Excel) with machine learned models replacing hand-written heuristics.
- · Implemented Neural Guided Deductive Search (NGDS) a hybrid of symbolic logic techniques and statistical models using LSTMs in CNTK to prune branches in the synthesis process improving performance by >75%.
- · Paper published at International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2018 and patent filed. [Link]

#### Microsoft Research, Research Intern, Bangalore, India

Jan 2017 - June 2017

- · Enabled Whole Program Analysis as a service built a scalable and reliable end-to-end system to statically analyze code and find bugs leveraging Static Module Verifier (SMV).
- · Successfully ran on the Windows drivers code base and found 350+ bugs null pointers and use-after-free.

### Amazon Development Centre, SDE Intern, Bangalore, India

July 2016 - Dec 2016

- · Created new features in the Automated Content Correction and Validation engine based on n-gram models.
- · Implemented a part of the infrastructure for a feedback system to reduce manual intervention for data validation.

#### Microsoft Development Center, Summer Intern, Hyderabad, India

May 2016 - July 2016

· Implemented a classifier to find new/missing restaurants in Bing leveraging query logs, achieved >90% accuracy.

#### PROJECTS/ASSIGNMENTS (GITHUB) (KAGGLE)

## LSTMemNet : Generic Approach for solving \_\_\_\_ in reading comprehension

CMU — Fall 2018

- · Built the LSTMemNet architecture for solving fill-in-the-blank type questions for reading comprehensions.
- · Drew inspiration from the state-of-the-art memory networks and LSTMs to create a generic architecture that works well across all 4 domains named entities, common nouns, verbs and prepositions.
- · Empirically a better generic model than any of the current state-of-the-art models; Submission in progress.

#### Development of Deep learning models on Speech WSJ dataset

CMU — Fall 2018

- · Implemented the LAS architecture speech to text using attention networks and beam search
- · Phoneme prediction by learning Language Model using CNNs, LSTMs, and CTC loss
- · Speaker embedding verification using CNNs and transfer learning; Speech frame classification using MLPs
- · Implemented the backpropagation algorithm of MLPs from scratch, including momentum and batch normalization

  Development of Machine Learning models

  CMU Fall 2018
- · Implemented decision trees, logistic regression, kNNs, K-means, neural networks and basic HMMs

#### Development of integral systems components from scratch

CMU — Summer 2018

· Implemented the malloc/calloc/free function, a proxy server with cache, a linux shell (tsh-tiny shell) and a generic cache simulator