Avni Kothari

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2021 - PRESENT

GPA: 3.74/4.00

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

M.S. in Computer Science

Thesis: Foundations for Model-Agnostic Recourse Verification

Advisors: Berk Ustun & Lily Weng

 $Coursework:\ Machine\ Learning;\ Recommender\ Systems;\ Neural\ Networks\ \&\ Pattern\ Recognition;\ Construction and the state of the$

vex Optimization; Statistical NLP: Probabilistic Reasoning & Learning; Networking Systems

University of Texas at Austin

2011 - 2016 GPA: 3.72/4.00

B.A. in Mathematics & B.A. in Economics

Minor in Computer Science

Coursework: Databases; Programming Languages; Software Design; Real Analysis; Number Theory;

Discrete Mathematics; Differential Equations; Linear Algebra & Matrix Theory; Econometrics

RESEARCH INTERESTS Machine Learning, Algorithmic Fairness, Algorithmic Recourse, Privacy, Interpretability, Natural Lan-

guage Processing, Auditing, Adversarial Robustness, Deep Learning, Uncertainty Quantification

AWARDS DeepMind Fellow (Article)

2021 - 2023

University Honors

2011 - 2014

Papers Prediction without Preclusion: Recourse Verification with Reachable Sets

Avni Kothari, Bogdan Kulynych, Lily Weng, Berk Ustun

In Submission, 2023

Work

Edovo; Chicago, IL

Jan. 2020 - May 2021

Experience Software Engineer

• Designed and developed an educational content platform to handle 700K+ requests per day

· Created a pipeline and nightly job to merge 4 billion rows of user event data in PostgreSQL

• Spearheaded team sessions to improve software development practices and adopt new frameworks

8th Light; Chicago, IL

Aug. 2017 - Mar. 2019

Lead Software Engineer

• Developed a diabetes management iOS app to connect patients with diabetic nurse specialists

• Enhanced a Java-based continuous deployment pipeline, seamlessly integrating with internal tools

• Mentored peers and residents through pair programming sessions and code reviews

Resident Apprentice

Jan. 2017 – Aug. 2017

• Created games and applications with a focus on Test Driven Development and SOLID Design

• Created an HTTP Server in Java without libraries for app deployment

• Gave company-wide talks on "Hashing Functions" and "Fun with Prime Numbers"

Poster Presentations ICML Workshop on Data-centric Machine Learning Research; Honolulu, HI

July 2023

ICML Workshop on Spurious Correlations, Invariance and Stability; Honolulu, HI

July 2023

ICML Workshop on Artificial Intelligence & Human Computer Interaction; Honolulu, HI

July 2023

Teaching

Interpretability & Explainability in Machine Learning; UC San Diego

Sept. 2022 – Dec. 2022

EXPERIENCE Course taught by: Berk Ustun

Supported instruction for 30+ MS/PhD students in an introductory research course.

Differential Calculus Tutor; UT Austin

May 2011 - Aug. 2013

 $Tutored\ undergraduates\ on\ limits,\ Riemann\ sum,\ continuity,\ derivatives,\ and\ differentiation\ rules$

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Software: Python, Java, Swift, Javascript, AWS, Elasticsearch, Elixir, SQL, Terraform

Libraries: Pytorch, CPLEX, Numpy, Pandas, Sklearn, Redux, React

Interests: Cycling, Gardening, Knitting, Hiking, Swimming, Fiction