# Devanshu Desai

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# **FDUCATION**

#### **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA**

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DATA SCIENCE

March 2021 San Diego, CA Magna Cum Laude Cum. GPA: 3.87 / 4.0 Major GPA: 3.96 / 4.0

# LINKS

Github://devanshuDesai LinkedIn://devanshu-desai-b42659169/

# COURSEWORK

#### **GRADUATE**

Recommender Systems Advanced Deep Learning Computational Evolutionary Biology Probabilistic Graphical Models

#### UNDERGRADUATE

Computer Vision Scalable Systems For Data Analytics IoT Systems For Data Analytics (Quarter-long project)

Theoretical Foundations of Data Science (Teaching Assistant x7)
Data Structures And Algorithms
(Teaching Assistant x1)

# SKILLS

#### **PROGRAMMING**

Expert

Java • Shell • Python • Javascript &TeX Proficient

C++ • React •

Intermediate

iOS • Android • MySQL

# **EXPERIENCE**

#### NANOME INC. DATA SCIENTIST

Jan 2020 - Present | San Diego, CA

- Developed a novel deep-learning based approach to address the company's voice recognition needs.
- Pioneered an alpha build for the company platform's  $\mathbf{1}^{st}$  attempt at a voice command assistant for the platform.
- *Reduced* server latency for voice responses by 75% compared to on-device recognition for Oculus devices.
- *Improved* command hit rate by 12% using an implementation of **LSTM-based DeepSpeech** and **BERT embeddings**.

#### METRIM DATA DATA SCIENTIST / CO-FOUNDER

Nov 2017 - Oct 2019 | San Diego, CA

- Devised a novel method using Recurrent Neural Networks and Variational Autoencoders for target prediction.
- Optimized our inference models to run on Google Cloud TPUs instead of multiple GPUs
- Observed a in 4x speed in inference times and a 3x speed up in training times as a result of the aforementioned optimizations.
- Developed an end-to-end data ingestion and **ETL pipeline** to run on 10 terabytes of data from the Common Crawl dataset.
- Extracted features for lead prediction were stored in a MySQL database to be queried with a **REST API** by our front-end.

#### **UC SAN DIEGO** INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT

Jan 2018 - Present | San Diego, CA

- Automated style checks for DSC 20 which directly resulted in over 500+ tutor hours saved in the last 2 years as well as saving the Data Science department over USD \$10,000 in tutor salaries.
- Implemented a linear regression based runtime check in DSC 40B which has so far resulted in 20+ hours of manual grading saved for the tutors along with direct cost savings for the department.
- *Created* several homework and exam solutions to administer the coursework effectively and uphold the value of a UCSD degree.

# RESEARCH

#### MCAULEY LAB UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOLAR

Dec 2020 - Present | San Diego, CA

- Collaborated with post-doctoral researchers in Hao Su.
- Customized Facebook Al Research's VoteNet model to work on a custom dataset.

### **SULAB** | RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Jan 2020 - April 2020 | San Diego, CA

- Collaborated with post-doctoral researchers in Hao Su.
- Customized Facebook Al Research's VoteNet model to work on a custom dataset.
- Augmented the PartNet dataset to perform better with our model which resulted in a 1.5% improvement in classification accuracy.