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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

M.S., Language Technologies Institute, School of Computer Science

Pittsburgh, PA

Aug 2015 – Dec 2016

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

B.S. in Computer Science

Pilani, India

2010 – 2014

WORK EXPERIENCE

Meta AI (Facebook AI Research)

Research Engineer, AI for Creativity

Pittsburgh, PA

July 2019 – current

- Lead Engineer for AI for Creativity supporting exploratory research in animating human characters with sequence models and reinforcement learning (RL). Developed and open-sourced the [fairmotion](#) and [ScaDiver](#) libraries to enable human motion research [6]
- Initiated cross-functional projects to apply research to production. Established collaborations with Habitat for Embodied AI research, Horizon Worlds VR product, Sanzaru game studio, FAIR Paris/Menlo Park, and The Movement Lab at Stanford University
- Published research at ACM SIGGRAPH [1] [4] [5], NeurIPS [3], and SIGGRAPH Asia [2] (under review)
- Mentored 9 Research and SWE interns at Meta AI. Supported 20+ new team members through on-boarding and mentored 5 junior engineers in the internal technical mentorship program
- Skills: Python, PyTorch, TorchServe; RLlib for distributed RL training; PyBullet and Isaac Gym physics simulators; OpenGL, Blender, Unity for character/scene building, animation and rendering.

Software Engineer, Language and Translation Technologies

Jan 2017 – July 2019

- Co-developed and shipped the first neural machine translation (NMT) system to power translations for all user content on Facebook and Instagram (7B+ translations per day) [\[blog\]](#)[\[press\]](#)
- Tech lead for a team that modeled and deployed the first multilingual NMT systems to production [\[blog\]](#) [\[press\]](#)
- Planned and managed “engineering excellence” projects that involved architecting optimized workflows for data processing, model training, evaluation and packaging, transitioning models to PyTorch, addressing reproducibility, determinism and model safety in translations.
- Skills: Python, PyTorch; ONNX, C++ for production code; Hive, Spark for data processing

Software Engineering Intern, Language Technology

May 2016 – Aug 2016

- Developed neural network language models on the (newly) open sourced deep learning framework Caffe2.0

LinkedIn

Software Engineer, Content Search

Bangalore, India

July 2014 – Aug 2015

- Developed the prefix query tagger library to predict autocompletions and tags for an incomplete query
- Co-implemented and deployed federated search and auto-complete search for several verticals on linkedin.com
- Actively involved in recruitment and onboarding of university grad hires and co-mentored 3 SWE interns
- Skills: Java, Lucene, Pig, Flex, Play Framework with JQuery and Bootstrap, JavaScript

Microsoft Research

Research Developer Intern, Applied Sciences

Bangalore, India

Jan 2014 – July 2014

- Fraud detection in Azure services and sentiment analysis of Azure users in social media
- Launched the Indian Elections Game web app, an interactive prediction market for the public to make predictions on the 2014 Indian Elections [\[blog\]](#)

- Adult content detection for Amazon Android AppStore, leading to a 30% load reduction for human reviewers
- Developed a system to cluster Amazon seller FAQs using Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) and map customer queries to the clusters with logistic regression, SVMs, and supervised LDA

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Project Acyut: A team of 5 undergraduate students that built India's first indigenously developed autonomous humanoid robot. I designed and implemented all aspects of the computer vision and robot behavior modules [\[press coverage\]](#)
 - 3rd Prize at RoboCup 2011 in Autonomous Humanoid Team Soccer
 - 2 silver medals at RoboGames 2011, the (then) world's biggest open robotics event
- Placed 4th in ACM ICPC, Asia Regionals, Kharagpur site in December 2013
- Placed 2nd in Amazon Machine Learning HackEnd 2013 Kindle summary relevance challenge
- Winner of LinkedIn Bangalore HackDay 2015 for developing realtime viewer statistics aggregating system using NodeJS

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] "Physics-based Character Controllers using Conditional VAEs" [\[webpage\]](#)[\[pdf\]](#)
J. Won, **D. Gopinath**, and J. Hodgins
ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics (SIGGRAPH), 2022.
- [2] "Transformer Inertial Poser: Attention-based Real-time Human Motion Reconstruction from Sparse IMUs" [\[pdf\]](#)
Y. Jiang, Y. Ye, **D. Gopinath**, J. Won, A.W. Winkler, and C.K. Liu
ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics Asia (SIGGRAPH Asia) (under review), 2022.
- [3] "Leveraging Demonstrations with Latent Space Priors"
J. Gehring, **D. Gopinath**, J. Won, G. Synnaeve, A. Krause, and N. Usunier
Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) (under review), 2022.
- [4] "Control Strategies for Physically Simulated Characters Performing Two-player Competitive Sports". [\[webpage\]](#)[\[pdf\]](#)
J. Won, **D. Gopinath**, and J. Hodgins
ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics (SIGGRAPH), 2021.
- [5] "A Scalable Approach to Control Diverse Behaviors for Physically Simulated Characters" [\[webpage\]](#)[\[pdf\]](#)
J. Won, **D. Gopinath**, and J. Hodgins
ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics (SIGGRAPH), 2020.
- [6] "fairmotion - Tools to load, process and visualize motion capture data" [\[code\]](#)
D. Gopinath and J. Won
GitHub, facebookresearch/fairmotion, 2020.
- [7] "Harnessing Indirect Training Data for End-to-End Automatic Speech Translation: Tricks of the Trade" [\[pdf\]](#)
J. Pino, L. Puzon, J. Gu, X. Ma, A. D. McCarthy, and **D. Gopinath**
International Conference on Spoken Language Translation (IWSLT), 2019.
- [8] "Deep Multimodal Fusion for Persuasiveness Prediction" [\[pdf\]](#)
B. Nojavanasghari*, **D. Gopinath***, J. Koushik*, T. Baltrušaitis, and L. P. Morency
ACM International Conference on Multimodal Interaction (ICMI), 2016.

GRADUATE COURSES

10701 Machine Learning	10807 Topics in Deep Learning	10705 Intermediate Statistics
11777 Advanced Multimodal ML	11642 Search Engines	11641 ML for Text Mining
10605 ML for Large Datasets	11611 NLP	11513 Intro to Comp Systems