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OBJECTIVE

To acquire a challenging summer internship position utilizing my skills in Machine Learning, Data Science, and Information Retrieval.

EDUCATION

Lehigh University, GPA - 3.65/4.0   **Bethlehem, PA**
Ph.D. in Computer Science (Machine Learning)   Aug 2020 - Present

Lehigh University, GPA - 3.6/4.0   **Bethlehem, PA**
M.S. in Computer Science   Aug 2018 - May 2020

Rajiv Gandhi Proudyogiki Vishwavidyalaya (RGPV), GPA - 3.7/4.0   **Bhopal, MP**
B.E. in Computer Science   Aug 2013 - May 2017

EXPERIENCE

Lehigh University   **Bethlehem, PA**
Peer Mentor, (Supervisor: Dr. Brian D. Davison)   May 2020 - Aug 2020
- Led a session each week for 15 REU interns in one-to-one meetings, focusing on their conceptual understanding and development.
- Funded by NSF — CNS-1757787

Resilience Research Group for SARS-CoV-2   **Bethlehem, PA**
Research Assistant, (Supervisor: Dr. Brian D. Davison)   May 2020 - Aug 2020
- Image Gathering for face masks in the United States and designing a novel face-mask detection algorithm for a data science survey research on SARS-CoV-2.
- Funded by Lehigh Research Grants.

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)   **Berkeley, CA**
Research Intern (NERSC), (Supervisor: Dr. Brian Austin)   May 2019 - Aug 2019
- Developed scripts to fetch and analyze petabytes of data from the SLURM scheduler.
- Analyzed & estimated real-time queues in the scheduler for optimizing the policies for incoming jobs.
- Developed three real-time policies that potentially improved the allocation procedure.

Persistent Systems   **Pune, MH**
Machine learning Intern, (Supervisor: Dr. Bhushan Garware)   May 2019 - Aug 2019
- Developed a facial recognition and verification system using Google's FaceNET research as the baseline which can directly learn from the 128x128 low dimensional representation.
- Added additional OpenCV features on top of it, which can differentiate between 3-D and 2-D images (a drawback of Google's FaceNET)
- Designed a purely browser-based RSA compliant module to work with FIDO keys.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Auto-encoder with Memory Defense for White-box Adversarial Attacks   Aug 2020
- Designed a robust auto-encoder for detecting adversarial images to mitigate adversarial attacks in a machine learning model.
- Designed a close proximity approximation estimator which can distinguish between distinct and distance manifold from different classes.

Sequence Generative Adversarial Nets with Policy Gradient   Jan 2020
- Seq-GAN is a unique approach which models the data generator as a stochastic policy in reinforcement learning to solve the problem with improvements in pre-processing.
- The RL reward signal comes from the GAN discriminator judged on a complete sequence, and is passed back to the intermediate state-action steps using Monte Carlo search.

Facial Recognition and Verification System Jan 2017

- Working with the accuracies and flaw removal strategies with re-implementation of Open-Face, for improving the range of applications in the domain of Security.
- Resolved the false positive 2-D inputs by introducing more features in Stage 1 (face detection) as a.) Orientation Normalization b.) 3D surface representation.

PUBLICATIONS

- Autoencoder with Memory Defense against White-box Adversarial Attacks*, *Manuscript Submitted*
- Estimating an HPC Facility's Capacity For Accommodating Real-time Workflows, Thesis, *National Energy Research Scientific Computing (NERSC), 2019*

PEER REVIEW

- IEEE Big Data Conference Fall 2020

SKILLS

Programming Languages   - C++, Python, Bash, Scala
Web Backend Technologies - MySql, MongoDB, NoSQL, HTML5.
Web Frontend Technologies - Pytorch, Tensorflow, OpenCV, dlib, Boost-C++, Cmake, scikit-learn, Apache Spark, git, Latex

TEACHING ASSISTANT

- CSE 017 - Programming and Data Structures Fall 2020
- CSE 017 - Programming and Data Structures Fall 2019
- CSE 160 - Introduction to Data Science Spring 2019
- CSE 001 - Breadth of Computing Fall 2018

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

- Awarded by Cognizant, for the **Outstanding Project Award** in Facial Recognition with Deep Neural Network (2016-17)
- **Best Project Award** by the Department of Computer Science in RGPV university for 'Physical Intrusion Detection System' (2015-16)
- Ranked among **top 1 percentile** in TESTimony'16 organised by Tata Consultancy Services. (2015)
- Awarded by H.C.Verma (Experimental Physicist): Winner of the **National Level SCEECS'16**: Quiz Competition organised by National Institute of Technology, Bhopal (MANIT). (2015)
- Awarded a Trophy from **Central Board of Secondary Education** (CBSE) for performance in English subject (2013)
- Presented a Abstract Paper on Shell-shock Vulnerability at **National level technical symposium** in Bhopal: Which explained about how the attack vector works, the risks involved and how to mitigate them. This explanation of the Shell-Shock CVE was published in the National conference Magazine published by LNCT Group of College Bhopal. (2014)
- **All India Rank 598** in International Maths-Science Olympiads (2007)