# Eashan Adhikarla

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## OBJECTIVE

To acquire a challenging research internship role utilizing my skills in Deep Learning, and Computer Vision.

#### EDUCATION

Lehigh University, **Ph.D.** in Computer Science (Machine Learning)

Aug 2020 - Present Bethlehem, PA, USA

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Lehigh University, **M.S.** in Computer Science

Aug 2018 - May 2020

Rajiv Gandhi Proudyogiki Vishwavidyalaya (RGPV),

**Bhopal, MP, India** Aug 2013 - May 2017

B.E. in Computer Science

#### PUBLICATIONS

• *B.Tierney, E.Dart, E.Kissel, E.Adhikarla*, Exploring the use of the BBRv2 Congestion Control Algorithm for use on Data Transfer Nodes

**SC INDIS**, 2021

• E.Adhikarla, B.D.Davison, Face Mask Detection in real-world Webcam Images

ACM GoodIT, 2021

• *E.Adhikarla, D.Luo, B.D.Davison*, Memory Defense: More Robust Classification via a Memory-Masking Autoencoder

arXiv, 2021

• *E.Adhikarla, B. Austin*, Estimating an HPC Facility's Capacity For Accommodating Real-time Workflows, Internship Thesis

**NERSC**, 2019

## EXPERIENCE

#### Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)

Ph.D. Summer Intern (ESnet), (Supervisor: Dr. Ezra Kissel)

Berkeley, CA

June 2021 - Present

- Deployed a deep learning approach to automate the dynamic auto-tuning of pacing rate in DTNs
- Developed kernel level system & traffic control operations in DTNaaS docker container.
- Integrated a supporting tool that can dynamically visualize the elastic search data for real-time parameter optimization.

## **Lehigh University**

Peer Mentor, (Supervisor: Dr. Brian D. Davison)

Bethlehem, PA, USA

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

Research Assistant, (Supervisor: Dr. Brian D. Davison)

Bethlehem, PA, USA

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)

Research Intern (NERSC), (Supervisor: Dr. Brian Austin)

Berkeley, CA, USA

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, India

Machine learning Intern, (Supervisor: Dr. Bhushan Garware)

June 2017 - Aug 2017

- 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

## Memory Defense: More Robust Classification via a Memory-Masking Autoencoder

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.

#### Face-Mask Detection on real-world Webcam dataset

Feb 2021

- $\bullet$  Successfully collected  $\sim$ 1010 Gb of public webcam data, by capturing image frames periodically from over 80 webcams across United States.
- Applied Coco-annotation semi-automated labelling to develop ground-truth labels.
- Re-implemented 4 state-of-the-art face detection algorithms for face detection & face mask detection to analyze their effectiveness in real-world dataset.
- Reported face mask usage across United States from Jun 23' 2020 to Feb 10' 2020.

## 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.

#### PEER REVIEW

IEEE Big Data Conference	Fall 2021
ACM International WSDM Conference	Fall 2021
ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval	Spring 2021
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, Docker,

Apache Spark MLlib, git, Latex

## TEACHING ASSISTANT

CSE 160 - Introduction to Data Science	Spring 2021
CSE 017 - Programming and Data Structures	Fall 2020
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CSE 160 - Introduction to Data Science	Spring 2019
CSE 001 - Breadth of Computing	Fall 2018

# ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

- PC Rossin Fellowship, Lehigh University (Spring 2021)
- 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 that explained about how the attack vector works, the risks involved and how to mitigate them.
- All India Rank 598 in International Maths-Science Olympiads (2007)