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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

Ph.D. in Computer Science (Machine Learning)

Lehigh University, GPA - 3.6/4.0

M.S. in Computer Science

Rajiv Gandhi Proudyogiki Vishwavidyalaya (RGPV), GPA - 3.7/4.0

B.E. in Computer Science

Aug 2020 - Present **Bethlehem, PA** 

Bethlehem, PA

Aug 2018 - May 2020

Bhopal, MP

Bethlehem, PA

Aug 2013 - May 2017

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### Lehigh University

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

May 2020 - Aug 2020

• Mentoring and closely guiding 15 NSF-REU Interns on-site project.

• Funded by NSF — CNS-1757787

### Resilience Research Group for SARS-CoV-2

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

Bethlehem, PA 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 in preparation
- 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
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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)