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OBJECTIVE

To acquire a challenging summer internship position utilizing my skills in Machine Learning, and Computer Vision.

EDUCATION

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

Lehigh University,

M.S. in Computer Science

Rajiv Gandhi Proudyogiki Vishwavidyalaya (RGPV),

B.E. in Computer Science

Bethlehem, PA, USA

Aug 2020 - Present

Bethlehem, PA, USA

Aug 2018 - May 2020

Bhopal, MP, India

Aug 2013 - May 2017

EXPERIENCE

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)

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

June 2021 - Present

Berkeley, CA

• To optimize the Data Transfer Node-as-a-service (DTNaaS) across WAN. I am involved in investigating containerization platforms and associated networking support, integrating storage systems, host system tuning, network path provisioning, protocol evaluation, transfer tool integration, and measurement collection.

Lehigh University Bethlehem, PA, USA

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, USA

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, USA

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, India

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

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.

PUBLICATIONS

- Face Mask Detection in real-world Webcam Images, Submitted in ACM GoodIT ITAC, 2021
- Memory Defense: More Robust Classification via a Memory-Masking Autoencoder, Submitted to BMVC, 2021
- Estimating an HPC Facility's Capacity For Accommodating Real-time Workflows, Thesis, National Energy Research Scientific Computing (NERSC), 2019

PEER REVIEW

• 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, Kubernetes, Apache Spark, git, Latex

TEACHING ASSISTANT

• CSE 017 - Programming and Data Structures

Fall 2020

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Fall 2019

• 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: 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)