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EDUCATION

University of Southern California - Los Angeles, CA Masters in Computer Science | Expected Dec 2019 GPA: 3.56/4.0 Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham University - Coimbatore, India
Bachelors in Computer Science & Engineering | May 2015

GPA: 8.91/10.0 (Distinction)

SKILLS

• **Networking**: CCNP, CCNA (R&S); Data Analysis, Data Center, TCP/IP, QoS, Load Balancing, Cisco IP routing & switching protocols, Cisco System Products; VMware ESXi, vCenter, vSphere; FC, SAN, FCoE, iSCSI

Hardware : Cisco UCS (B and C series); Nexus 7k, 5k, 3k, 2k series, 1000v; MDS 9000 series; Brocade SAN switches

• **Technical** : Java, C, C++, Python, PHP, SQL, MySQL, Unix, JavaScript, XML, JSON, AJAX, jQuery, CSS3, HTML5, Bootstrap, AngularJS, React Native, UCS Central, Hyper-V, Red Hat, SUSE

• **Tools** : Android Studio, NetBeans, GIT, SVN, AWS-Elastic Beanstalk EC2/S3, Google Cloud, Lambda, Photoshop, Visio, SciPy, Weka, Pandas, NumPy, MATLAB, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow, GNS3, Wireshark, ASP.NET

Soft skills : Global delivery, customer interaction, mentoring, network consulting, team building

WORK EXPERIENCE

COCOMO Software Engineering at USC – Intern

May - July 2018

- Supported project members in research involving a software effort cost estimation model originally developed by Dr. Barry Boehm in a highly transparent Agile environment.
- Managed a team of three and re-implemented COCOMO in Java so it is accessible/executable on any OS platform.

Cisco Systems, Bangalore – Engineer, Server Virtualization

July 2015 - Dec 2017

- Delivered solutions and resolved problems for Cisco clients through computer programming and systems engineering.
- Performed troubleshooting on large scale data center networks (Linux, storage, NTP, OS/BIOS/firmware, VM migrations) and scripting to automate diagnosis of problems in network.
- Provided consultation support, filed bugs and tested new software release thus improving serviceability of the product by working with engineering teams on fixing bugs.
- Collaborated with different vendors like Dell, VMware, Microsoft, Citrix, Redhat, VCE, EMC and Netapp to fix complex multi-vendor environmental network, server and storage issues.
- Decoded complex logs and core dumps to analyze and verify root cause of issues.

Cisco Systems, Bangalore - Intern

Jan - June 2015

- Completed practical training and assisted in ongoing projects (automation and RMA reduction) through scripting.
- Designed *CYK, LR parsers,* and *shift-reduce* in Python, to parse tech-support bundles from Unified Computing System (UCS) and extract required information for Big Data Broker (BDB).

ONGC, Chennai – Intern - Microsoft .NET framework-ASP.NET & MS SQL Server

May - July 2013

• Constructed a rich web-based Intranet Mail for sending and receiving ONGC (Oil and Natural Gas Corporation) Ltd. ISO formatted forms thus resulting in prevention of traversing ISO forms outside the organization.

PROJECTS

Gender Transformation using Adversarial Networks - GANs - Python, PyTorch | GitHub

May-July 2018

• Implemented a generator network that realistically transforms the gender of a person out of curiosity for what famous *Marvel men stars* would look like if born with two X chromosomes.

Generative Models for Text – *Trained an LSTM to mimic Russell's style and thoughts* | GitHub

May-July 2018

• Built a generative model to mimic the writing style of prominent British mathematician, philosopher, prolific writer, and political activist, Bertrand Russell.

Travel and Entertainment Search App – Node.js, Java, JS, jQuery, Bootstrap, Angular, AWS | Website

Jan- May 2018

• Developed a Web and an Android application, which allows users to search for a place using a live JSON API, view its information, save it as a favourite and/or post about it on Twitter. The web application is hosted on Amazon Cloud.

(Deep) CNNs for Image Colorization – Keras | GitHub

May-July 2018

• Created a CNN for image colorization that turns a grayscale image to a coloured image using CIFAR-10 dataset.

Interactive Yoga poses correction – MATLAB | GitHub

Oct- Dec 2018

• Partially devised an articulated human body model that tracks human motion in a video sequence and suggests corrections if the user is performing the yoga pose incorrectly.

EXTRA CURRICULAR

• Volunteered in *Cisco's Corporate Social Responsibility* activities; Directed fresh graduate employees and interns; Acted as Ambassador for *Foundation to Success*, a global Cisco training program; Authored the *Jive On* page as a lead member for the team, an internal forum for Cisco employees.