# Shudhanshu Ranjan

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#### **EDUCATION**

Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, NJ

Masters of Science in Computer Science | GPA: 3.63/4.0

Sep 2022 - May 2024

Coursework: Algorithmic Complexity, NLP, CV, Applied Statistics with Application in Finance, RL, and Sequential Decision-Making

Machine Learning Graduate Certification | GPA: 3.75/4.0

Sep 2022 - May 2024

Coursework: Artificial intelligence, Machine Learning, Statistical Machine Learning, Deep Learning

Presidency University, Bangalore, IN

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering | CGPA: 8.41/10

Aug 2018 - May 2022

Coursework: Data Structures, Algorithms, DBMS, Data Visualization, Image Processing, Neural Networks, Graph Theory

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### Software Engineer, Neurability Foundation, Remote, US (Volunteer)

Dec 2024 - Present

- Architected the end-to-end backend for an Al-driven productivity tool using FastAPI, PostgreSQL, Pinecone, with Claude Sonnet & GPT-40 mini API, deploying via Cloud Run with integrated observability for latency, memory, and error rate alerts.
- Refactored LLM inference pipeline from 3rd-party APIs to Vertex AI, deploying two fine-tuned models (LLaMA 1B & 7B instruct), reducing system latency by ~70% from ~650ms to <200ms while improving inference reliability and scalability.
- Trained and deployed custom LLMs to power task decomposition and prioritization for ADHD users, generating 3-level nested task trees, dynamic system prompts, context-aware reminders, and a batch email summarization agent.

#### Machine Learning Engineer, Health Innovators, Remote, US (Volunteer)

Dec 2024 - Present

- Built and deployed an end-to-end multimodal medical assistant using HealthGPT models, enabling X-ray, CT, MRI comprehension, translation, reconstruction, and super-resolution; supported 12+ medical tasks and processed 100+ high-res images/day.
- Fine-tuned and deployed an LLaMA-2-7B chatbot for patient-doctor conversations using PEFT (LoRA) with 4-bit quantization; integrated Firestore for memory with conversational logging; explored FAISS-based RAG for long-term medical context retention.
- Developed a hybrid NER pipeline combining Stanza, BioBERT, and Gemini Pro to extract and normalize medical entities from clinical notes; mapped over 50+ disease mentions to SNOMED codes with >92% accuracy using embedding-based similarity and ontology linking via Owen2-1.5B.

#### Graduate Research Assistant, Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, NJ

Jan 2024 - Present

- Extracted 10k tweets using the Twitter v2 REST API to develop a misinformation classifier, enhancing AI content moderation.
- Conducted literature review on crowdsourced fact-checking models (Matrix Factorization, Difference in Differences, and Regression Discontinuity Design), noting Community Notes' improvement from 4% to 12.5%, increasing annotation relevance.
- Assisted PhD students and postdocs in co-authoring a research paper on parameter-efficient fine-tuning & prompt engineering by analyzing 10+ NLP datasets with various LLMs to benchmark performance on time complexity, optimizing model efficiency.
- Researched style transfer in NLP using GPT-2 and T5 LLMs from the Hugging Face API, achieving a 2.4x improvement in BLEU score on the GYAFC and XFORMAL datasets with over 110k sentence pairs, utilizing PyTorch and CUDA for efficient computation.

#### Deep Learning Research Intern, Prayogpeti, Bangalore, IN

Sep 2021 – Jun 2022

- Constructed a comparative study between 3 inductive Graph Neural Networks, namely TexTING, In-GCN, and In-GAT, to determine the best-performing model for text classification. Published in IEEE: DOI: 10.1109/ASSIC55218.2022.10088315.
- Modified Inductive GAT models, finding higher entropy in smaller datasets like IMDB (~50k datapoints) and lower initial entropy in larger datasets like DBPedia (~630k datapoints), which led to an increase in model accuracy to 98.10% on 14 different classes.

#### Machine Learning Engineer Intern, UAV Team, iNeuron Intelligence PVT LTD, Bangalore, IN

- Designed & implemented **UAV simulations** in ROS and Gazebo, and performed **real-time object detection** on those simulations.
- Optimized by converting a YOLOv5 model to a MobileNetV3 architecture, retrained on TPU, resulting in a 5.5x increase in inference **speed** on **CPU** and improved frames per second (**FPS**) performance.

#### Machine Learning Engineer Intern, SAT IMG Team, iNeuron Intelligence PVT LTD, Bangalore, IN

Nov 2020 - May 2021

- Adapted an innovative satellite image masking method and presented a U-Net with Inception CNN model on a 21.69 GB dataset. Devised a novel image subtraction algorithm and prototype to outline the differences between multiple reference images.
- Retrieved MultiPolygons detailed masks for both 3-band and 16-band format images, used said MultiPolygons to detect 10 different object classes in the image, and evaluated the performance by Jaccard similarity on the region of interest.

#### **PROJECT**

#### RL-Based Stock Trading System Utilizing Sentiments Analysis [LINK]

Feb 2024

- Developed a comprehensive automated trading system by training 5 distinct RL agents (A2C, DDPG, PPO, SAC, TD3) using the FinRL and OpenAl Gym, leveraging 20 years of data and trading 10 company stocks across 5 sectors for 4 years.
- Incorporated emotion and sentiment data from tweets, applied SMOTE, and used BiLSTM to impute missing values with 75% accuracy, yielding 1.53x returns over counterpart agents and improving system performance in real-time market conditions.
- Benchmarked against DOW, S&P 500, NASDAQ, and MVO across all the stock options, the best model (PPO) demonstrated superior performance in volatile markets, achieving a 2.98x return with a 1.33 Sortino Ratio for fixed 3.5% yearly risk-free rate.

## SKILL

Technical: Python - (Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-learn, MatPlotLib, SciPy, Statsmodels, ARIMA, Seaborn, NLTK, CV2, XGBoost, LightGBM), Generative AI - (GAN, VAE, GPT, BERT, T5, LLaMA, RAG), C++, Tensorflow, PyTorch, Keras, MatLab, SQL, GCP - (Vertex AI, BigQuery ML, Bigtable, LookML, Deployment Manager), Git, Jupyter Notebook, MLflow, Weights & Biases, Hadoop, Kubernetes, PySpark, Docker.

Certification: TensorFlow Developer Certificate (by Tensorflow); 60+ GCP skill badges of 200+ hours worth of training from cloudskillsboost (ML Infrastructures, Serverless Cloud Run Development, Cloud Dataflow, Pub/Sub, BigQuery, Cloud Architecture).

#### Co-Founder and Student Coordinator, Crescendo Developers Club, Bangalore, IN

Jun 2020 - Jun 2022

Co-founded university's first tech & research club, growing a 250+ student community, & organizing 4 hackathons & 8 webinars.

### Semi-finalist (Top 2 percentiler), e-Yantra National Competetion, Bangalore, IN

Sep 2020 - Mar 2021

Represented university in a 10.4k student competition, reaching the top 55 with Bots for automation, simulated in ROS & Gazebo.