Enthusiastic data scientist with strong organizational skills. Ability to handle multiple data engineering projects simultaneously with a good management experience.

# **Work History**

# 2020-02 -

### **Associate Professor**

Current

University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston

- Graph database engineering: Building an integrative platform for hypothesis generation using Neo4j
- Spatial data modeling: Applying geospatial algorithms to cancer tissue images obtained using spatial sequencing technologies
- Mentoring post-docs and graduate students.

## 2013-12 -2019-08

## **Assistant Professor**

New York University Langone Health, New York

- Data engineering and analysis using next generation sequencing data
- Software and pipeline development
- Statistical and mathematical modeling
- Directed and taught programming and machine learning courses.

# 2011-04 -2013-11

### Research Associate/Fellow

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York

 Bioinformatics pipeline development and integrated analysis of genomics data in cancers

## 2010-10 -2011-04

### **Research Associate**

Pennsylvania State University, State College

 Organized the existing data analysis pipeline (genome alignment, motif discovery, biological interpretation) and provided consultation to the researchers on core computational methods

# 2008-01 -2010-09

## **Research Specialist**

Stowers Institute for Medical Research, Kansas City

- Developed and applied image processing algorithms to microscopy images
- Developed a dynamic web-site (PHP + MySQL) that would query and process yeast cell images
- Responsible for high quality image acquisition and microscope maintenance in the institute

# 2007-01 -2007-12

## Research Intern

Knowledge Based Systems, Inc., College Station

- Offered significant ideas for logistics management in Oklahoma Air Logistics Center through data mining
- Proposed several cost and time saving measures from directed insights obtained via predictive modeling
- Initiated business intelligence for aircraft movement operations at the Tinker Air Force Base.

# **Education**

# PhD: Computer Science

Texas A&M University - College Station, TX

MS: Mathematics

Texas A&M University - College Station, TX

MSc: Mathematics

Indian Institute of Technology - Madras

**BSc: Mathematics** 

University of Madras - Chennai

# **Publications**

# https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=kasthuri+kannan

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# **Skills**

Data engineering/science

Databases (Neo4j, SQL)

Programming (Python, R, C/C++)

Scripts(Perl/Bash), Unix

**Bioinformatics** 

Image processing

Web programming (HTML, CSS, Java script)