Curriculum Vitae

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Current VISA Status: M.S/Ph.D. student of F1 visa (2004-Present)

Background:

• Education:

- M.S. (Master of Science) from University of Massachusetts, Amherst. (February 2008).
- B.Tech (Bachelor of Technology) from IIT Bombay in Computer Science and Engineering. (August 2004).
- Honors and Achievements:
 - Was Ranked 81st in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) for entrance into IITs (among 120,000 students).
 - Was among the *top 30* in the state engineering entrance exam CET for entrance into Regional Engineering Colleges (RECs).
 - Was among the top 100 in the country (India) for entering into Physics and Chemistry Olympiads.

Advisor/Group: Prof. Andrew McCallum/Information Extraction and Synthesis Lab (IESL)

• RA positions: Sept. 2004-Present in IESL lab.

• TA positions: Computational Social Network Analysis (Taught by David Jensen and Andrew McCallum in Fall '08).

Research:

- Refereed Publications:
 - Kedar Bellare and Andrew McCallum. Generalized Expectation Criteria for Bootstrapping Extractors using Record-Text Alignment. Empirical Methods in NLP (EMNLP) 2009, Singapore (EMNLP'09), 2009.
 - Kedar Bellare, Gregory Druck and Andrew McCallum. Alternating Projections for Learning with Expectation Constraints. Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI) 2009, Montreal, QC, Canada (UAI'09), 2009.
 - Kedar Bellare, Koby Crammer and Dayne Freitag. Loss-Sensitive Discriminative Training of Machine Transliteration Models. Student Research Workshop at HLT-NAACL 2009, Boulder, CO, USA (HLT-NAACL SRW'09), 2009.
 - Kedar Bellare, Partha Pratim Talukdar, Giridhar Kumaran, Fernando Pereira, Mark Liberman, Andrew McCallum and Mark Dredze. Lightly-Supervised Attribute Extraction for Web Search. NIPS workshop on Machine Learning for Web Search at NIPS 2007, Vancouver, BC, Canada (NIPS MLWS'07), 2007.
 - Kedar Bellare and Andrew McCallum. Learning Extractors from Unlabeled Text using Relevant Databases. IIWeb workshop at AAAI 2007, Vancouver, BC, Canada (IIWeb'07), 2007.
 - Kuzman Ganchev, Koby Crammer, Fernando Pereira, Gideon Mann, Kedar Bellare, Andrew McCallum, Steve Carroll, Yang Jin, and Pete White. Penn/Umass/CHOP BiocreativeII Systems. Proceedings of the Biocreative II Workshop, pp. 119 124, 2007.
 - Andrew McCallum, Kedar Bellare and Fernando Pereira. A Conditional Random Field for Discriminatively-trained Finite-state String Edit Distance. Proceedings of the International Conference on Uncertainty in AI (UAI'05), 2005.
 - Kedar Bellare, Anish Das Sarma, Atish Das Sarma, Navneet Loiwal, Vaibhav Mehta, Ganesh Ramakrishnan, Pushpak Bhattacharya. Generic Text Summarization Using Word-Net. Proceedings of the International Conference on Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC'04), 2004.
- Unrefereed Publications: None.
- Publications in Progress:
 - Kedar Bellare and Andrew McCallum. Fixing and Augmenting Noisy Databases using Large-Scale Text Corpora. Work in progress.
 - Kedar Bellare, Ashwin Machanavajjhala and Sathiya Keerthi. JUNRLIE: Joint Unsupervised Record Linkage and Information Extraction. Work in progress.
- Unpublished Documents: None.

Skills:

• **Programming:** Scala, Java, Perl, Python, Scheme, HTML/CSS/Javascript, JSP with some knowledge of C.

Experience:

• Yahoo! Research.

Summer Intern under Sathiya Keerthi and Ashwin Machanavajjhala.

Summer 2009.

Worked on a Bayesian network model for performing joint unsupervised information extraction and record linkage.

• Yahoo! Research.

Summer Intern under Sathiya Keerthi and Srujana Merugu.

Summer 2008.

Worked on rapid development of classifiers using labeling of instances and features. Also studied active learning using instance/feature labeling.

• FairIsaac Corporation.

Summer Intern under Dayne Freitag.

Summer 2007.

Worked on applying on-line machine learning algorithms to sequence/tree edit distance problems.

• University of Pennsylvania.

Fall Intern under Prof. Mark Liberman and Prof. Fernando Pereira.

Fall 2006.

Worked on the problem of lightly-supervised attribute extraction.

• University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Research Assistant under Prof. Andrew McCallum.

Sept 2004 - Present.

Working on problems related to information extraction that employ discriminative alignment techniques.

• University of British Columbia.

Summer Intern under Prof. Laks Lakshmanan and Prof. Raymond Ng.

May - July 2003.

Worked on algorithms for schema integration of disparate XML databases.

Service:

• Professional:

- Reviewed conference papers submitted to NIPS'06, HLT-NAACL'07, ACL'07, KDD '07, IIWeb '07, ICML'08, ICML '09, UAI '09, KDD '09, EMNLP '09, ICML '10.
- Reviewed journal paper for the Special Issue of Applied AI on applications of Grammatical Inference.
- Reviewed journal paper for Transactions on Database Systems (TODS).

• Laboratory:

- Helped in the creation of the UI for the Rexa search engine, a research paper search engine developed by our lab (IESL).

Curriculum:

• Core Coursework:

Area	Course	Semester	Grade
Systems:	Modern Computer Architecture Database Design and Implementation	4 4	B+ A-
Theory:	Theory of Computation Advanced Algorithms	2 3	A- A
AI:	Machine Learning Reasoning and Acting under Uncertainty	1	A A

• Additional Coursework:

- Advanced Machine Learning: Grade A
- Seminar on Sensor Network Processing: Grade A
- Empirical Methods in Computer Science: Grade A-
- Bioinformatics: Grade A

References:

• Andrew McCallum (Advisor)

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