### Monica Munnangi

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Research Interests Machine Learning, Computer Vision and Natural Language Processing for Healthcare, Multi-modal

data and Precision Medicine

**EDUCATION** University of Massachusetts Amherst

Amherst, MA Masters of Science in Computer Science Sep 2018 - May 2020

Vellore Institute of Technology

Chennai, IN Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering Fall 2014 - Spring 2018

**PUBLICATIONS** Y. Shah, M. Munnangi, et al., Chest Tube Detection on Chest X-Ray Images Using Convolutional Deep Neural Network, Poster at European Congress of Radiology, Vienna 2020

> M. Munnangi, et al., A Brief History of Named Entity Recognition, Automated Knowledge Base Construction, 2021 [In Progress]

Research EXPERIENCE Krishnaswamy Lab, Yale School of Medicine

Advisor - Smita Krishnaswamy

New Haven, CT Jul 2020 - Present

- Working on classification and regression problems with recurrent neural networks on time series data of ICU patients and visualizing the patterns in data with sophisticated techniques.
- Working on a natural language processing model to classify patient physician communication and to improve message triage.

Information Fusion Lab, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Amherst, MA Feb 2020 - May 2020

Advisor - Madalina Fiterau

- Implemented a novel forecasting framework which utilizes a CNN to extract features from a patient's brain MRIs which we then fused with patient data and use RNN to track progression.
- Showed that the inclusion of these customised/patient-specific features increases the F1-score of 0.4644, with recall at 0.4974 and precision of 0.4355 of forecasting the disease stages.

**GE** Healthcare Waukesha, WI May 2019 - Aug 2019

Data Scientist Intern

- Developed a neural network to identify the presence of a chest tube in an Pneumothorax patient's X-Ray, trained the model on 8000 images and fine tuned on the pre-trained VGG architecture.
- Our results have surpassed the SOTA with 0.95 accuracy and this model is in production now which is helping radiologists prioritize high risk patient cohort using PyTorch framework.
- Developed a solution using VGG architecture to separate obstructing radiopaque objects in a chest X Ray image from non-obstructing radiopaque objects with 14,000 images and achieved an accuracy of 0.89 to help reduce the number of redundant X-Rays.

Quantiphi Solutions, University of Massachusetts Amherst CS 696DS - Independent Study

Amherst, MA Jan 2019 - May 2019

- Used time series ICU data of over 40,000 patients and computed baselines, logistic regression and random forests to predict the onset of Sepsis as early as six hours.
- Benchmarked and compared our model results to baselines such as random forests, regression and validated the results where we have achieved an F1 score of 0.82.

#### TEACHING/ ADVISING EXPERIENCE

Co-advised a cohort of graduate students for a project titled Naik, A. et al. Leveraging knowledge distillation for efficient on-device deployment of deep learning models in medical imaging published in Society for Imaging Informatics in MCMI in Medical Imaging, Nov 2020.

Teaching Assistant for the course **Database Management Systems** and assisted Prof. Muralidhar A. at Vellore Institute of Technology in the Fall 2017 semester.

#### Projects

# Semi-supervised Named Entity Recognition for Clinical data CS 685 - Advanced NLP

UMass Amherst Mar 2020 - Apr 2020

• The aim of the project was to make annotations for named entity recognition faster by using semi-supervised learning techniques exclusively for clinical data.

# Auto Generation of Image Captions for Medical Images

UMass Amherst

CS 682 - Neural Networks

Oct 2019 - Nov 2019

• We worked on automatic image captioning for medical images, used the IU chest X-Ray images which have 3965 unique patient reports and images. We have achieved a 0.168020 BLEU-1 score for the dataset.

#### Professional Experience

#### DoctorC (Simplify Wellness Pvt. Ltd)

Hyderabad, IN

Software Developer Intern

Jan 2018 - Apr 2018

• Enhanced user experience on iOS with development of key interface changes using Xcode and React Native which improved usability by 25% and worked on a REST API service.

#### Autochat.io

Hyderabad, IN

Software Developer Intern

Sep 2017 - Dec 2017

- Created an English learning bot using telegram API, helps correct syntactic and semantic errors.
- Developed and deployed that bots for E-commerce applications which improved user interface.

#### Pixelvide Solutions Pvt. Ltd

Hyderabad, IN

Software Developer Intern

May 2017 - Jul 2017

• Designed, wire-framed, prototyped and developed corporate website using HTML5, CSS and JavaScript which is currently in production.

#### Honors and Awards

- Student Grant for NeurIPS 2020 and EMNLP 2020
- Central Board of Secondary Education Excellence award for outstanding performance (AISSE).
- City topper, Science Olympiad Foundation National Science Olympiad 2012

#### Skills and Tools

- Languages: Python, R, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, LATEX
- Libraries and Frameworks: TensorFlow, PyTorch, Scikit Learn, ReactNative, Angular
- Applications and Tools : Docker, DataMiner, Jira

## VOLUNTARY WORK

- Volunteer at the Un-workshop in Woman in ML (WiML) at ICML, 2020 and NeurIPS, 2020.
- Part of an event at DESIRE Society, Hyderabad served children affected with HIV/AIDS.
- President of student led organization Orange Leaf, Hyderabad

#### LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Student representative for the School of Computer Science and Engineering, VIT University.
- As publicity and marketing head, I was responsible for managing the online and offline marketing events at VIT Chennai with over 5000 participants from more than 30 universities.
- As a school and literacy captain, I was responsible for managing the cohort of school cabinet, conduct and manage the events conducted in school for the academic year (2011- 2012).