

# M S Nishanth

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## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

Proficient:

Python • C • C++ • Shell

Familiar:

Go • Rust • AS3 •  $\text{\LaTeX}$  •

PHP • CSS • HTML

### TOOLS:

Git, Kubernetes, Wireshark, Vim, GDB, Postman, Perforce, RBT, Pytorch, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Jira, Confluence.

## SOCIALS

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Github://msnishanth

LinkedIn://msnishanth

## OPEN SOURCE

OWASP ML TOP10 |

ODoH Client |

## EDUCATION

### IIT HYDERABAD

Masters in CS 2018-20 | HYD, India

### UCET, ANNA UNIVERSITY

Bachelors in CS 2013-17 | TVM, India

## COURSEWORK

### GRADUATE

Distributed Computing

Convex Optimization

Foundations of ML

Topics in Data Mining

Probabilistic Models for ML

Advanced Data Structure and Algorithms

### UNDERGRADUATE

Information Retrieval

Operating Systems

Theory of Computation

Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Cryptography and Network Security

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

F5 Day'21 • Organized • Coordinated.

CALDAM'18 • Moderated • Facilitated.

UCET Secy'15 • Directed • Orchestrated.

## INTERESTS

Read • Aquascape • MMORPG • Food.

## EXPERIENCE

### F5 | SOFTWARE ENGINEER 2

October 2023 - Present | HYD, IN

- **Collaborated** with CA on **Traffic Classification** & **Achieved** 99.73 F1 score.
- **Led automation initiative** for IPS & TC IM Packages releases, utilizing CI/CD pipelines to validate, verify & publish and **Reduced 96% human effort**.

### F5 | SOFTWARE ENGINEER 1

September 2020 - October 2023 | HYD, IN

- **Led a cross-functional team** (SSL, DNS, IXIA) of 8 in **Design & Implementation** of ODoH, HPKE & SVCB capabilities on CBIP ensuring compliance with RFCs: 9320, 9180, and 9460. This project involved utilizing HPKE to construct 44Byte ODOH Config and SVCB for DNS-based service discovery.
- **Boosted DNS Monitor Probing by 20%** through a batched processing queue utilizing a modified Knuth shuffle algorithm.
- Implemented DNS Cache Enhancements resulting in **Increase of RPS by 10%**.
- **Improved RPS by 35%** for indeterminate and insecure domain names on Validating DNS Resolver by using fast cache Lookup.
- **Improved precision by 88%** in GeoIP by seamlessly transitioning to GeoIP dbv3, while maintaining lookup time.

### IIT HYDERABAD | RESEARCHER

July 2018 - August 2020 | HYD, IN

- **Assessed** 400 students cumulative for courses FML, PMML at IIT Hyd.
- **Mentored 700 students** in Machine Learning fundamentals as part of a summer school program at IIT Hyderabad (team of 30).
- **Optimized high-performance GPU cluster** with 128GB RAM and 1TB GPU processing capacity, ensuring optimal performance and up-time for compute-intensive workloads.

## RESEARCH

### STRUCTURED OPTIMAL TRANSPORT | RESEARCHER •

August 2019 - July 2020 | IIT Hyderabad, India

- **Developed** a novel algorithm for **Optimal Transport** with **Prof. Saketha Nath**.
- **Leveraged** sub-modularity to capture data structure, improving efficiency with a Block Diagonal Representation.
- **Reduced OT cost by 20%** by applying the algorithm to color transfer.

### HIERARCHICAL MUTUAL EXCLUSION | RESEARCHER •

August 2018 - November 2018 | IIT Hyderabad, India

- **Co-developed** a hybrid **mutual exclusion algorithm** with **Akash Banerjee**.
- **Optimized** inter and intra cluster communication by multiplexing Raymond's and Maekawa's algorithms and **Achieved 30% lower response time**.

## HONORS & AWARDS

2024	1st / 1200	AI Security Village, BlueHat Microsoft
2023	1st / 20	CTF at F5 India
2023	1st / 9000	BeF5 Engineering Fellow Award
2023	3rd / 300	Security Hackathon at F5 Global
2018	99.2 Percentile	GATE'18 - Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering

## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

2018-20	MHRD - Ministry of Human Resource Development, India [2years].
2013-17	PMSS - Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme, India [4years].

