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EDUCATION

University of Colorado Boulder

Boulder, CO

Master of Science in Computer Science; GPA: 3.83/4.0 Aug 2017 - Present (Expected: May 2019) Relevant courses: BigData, ML, NLP, Probabilistic Models for ML, Computer Vision, and, Object Oriented Design.

BMS College of Engineering

Bangalore, India

Bachelor of Engineering in Information Science and Engineering; GPA: 8.92/10.0

Sep 2011 - May 2015

Programming Skills

- Languages: Python, C#, Java, Scala, Ruby, C++, C, PHP, MATLAB, and NodeJs.
- Frameworks: Tensorflow, Keras, ASP.NET, Flask, Ruby on Rails, SpringMVC, ReactJs with Redux.
- Databases: MS SQL Server, Postgres, MySQL, and MongoDB.
- Others: Spark, Kafka, Redis, AWS(Lamba, EMR, EC2), Heroku, Qubole, CI, Docker.

EXPERIENCE

• SDE Intern (Data Engineering) - Expedia Inc, Chicago, USA

May 2018 - Aug 2018

- o Productionalized a price recommendation ML algorithm using technologies like Qubole, Spark and AWS Lambda.
- Contributed to the ideation and implementation of restructuring the existing data pipeline for performance.
- Teaching Assistant (S/W Dev Methods & Tools) University of Colorado Boulder Sep 2017 - Present
 - Teaching 60 students, full stack development and deployment of applications using core Agile principles and TDD.
 - Training students on technologies like Shell Scripting, HTML/CSS, JS, Git, REST, MySQL, PHP, CI, and Heroku.
- Application Developer ThoughtWorks, Bangalore, India

Aug 2015 - Aug 2017

- Project Management Tool (C#, Silverlight, ASP.NET): A Multi-tenant SaaS application having about 2000 tenants and 2000-5000 users per tenant.
 - * Spearheaded the re-architecture of the legacy application using Test Driven Development for scale.
 - * Refactored the code base by introducing design patterns. Also increased the test coverage from 16% to 65%.
 - * Optimized complex SQL queries to improve the performance of key features by around 80%.
- o Food-Supplies Management (Python, Sklearn, Keras): A stock management tool to help the pantry of the office plan the supply of fruits, vegetables, and grocery in order to minimize wastage of food.
- o Danglay (Ruby, Ruby on Rails): A scalable carpooling web application using Ruby on Rails to solve the problem of commute faced by numerous employees at ThoughtWorks.
- Freelancer (Embedded System Prototyping) Self Employed, Bangalore, India

Oct 2014 - June 2015

- o EMG Controlled Wheelchair (Arduino, C): A wheelchair which was controlled by an electromyograph, aimed at helping paraplegic patients move around. This system could also be controlled by a voice recognition unit.
- o Surveillance System (Java, Android, Python, C): Security system that enabled the owner to control the entrance gates and lockdown the house. This system also provided live surveillance of the house on a smart-phone.

PROJECTS

- SparkBusters (Java, Spark, Kafka, Redis): A big-data project that performed Opinion mining on tweets of a commercial product. These opinions were visualized on a Map based on the sentiment score. Links: Demo, GitHub.
- Object 3D Pose Estimation (Python, Tensorflow, C#, Unity): Using a Convolutional Neural Network to predict an object's 3D pose to generate real and virtual object interactions in a Hololens. Links: Demo, Paper, GitHub.
- Agile board (Java, SpringMVC): A web based Agile board developed for an OOP-design cum refactoring exercise. Devised a custom design pattern as part of the project implementation. Links: App, GitHub.
- Navisys (Java, Android, Python, C++, OpenCV): An embedded system fitted into a jacket that provides turn-by-turn navigation with human and obstacle detection to the visually impaired. Links: Report, Synopsis.
- Teacher's cube (Python, Bash): Electronic mnemonic cubes, representing alphabets of a language, that pronounced the word formed when arranged one beside the other. Aimed to help dyslexic children formulate and pronounce words.

Achievements

- 'Outstanding Teaching Assistant' award for having the best Faculty Course Questionnaire(FCQ) scores in the Computer Science department of the University of Colorado Boulder for the academic year 2017-2018.
- 'Best Research Project' award at the IEEE International Advance Computing Conference 2015, held at B.M.S College of Engineering. The project also featured in the newspaper(link) for its novel approach of implementation.