

# Pankaj Bhambhani

Software Engineer, Experience working in Machine Learning, Data Science

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## SKILLS

**Languages** – Python, Scala, Java (Familiarity with C++, Bash, SQL, JavaScript, MATLAB)

**Tools** – Numpy, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, Keras, Stan, Tensorflow, Docker, Kubernetes

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**CiBO Technologies, Inc.** – Software Engineer Jun 2018 - Present

- Build a statistical model to image crop growth using sparse and noisy Remote Sensing data.
- Process Geospatial data to generate scientific information and calibrate agricultural simulation models.
- **Technologies** – Scala, Python, Stan, QGIS, AWS, Docker, Kubernetes.

**Play Games 24x7 Pvt. Ltd.** – Software Engineer (Full-Stack) for RummyCircle Jul 2013 - May 2016

- Scaled and optimized distributed in-memory caches using **Ehcache** and **Redis**, also optimized gameplay bot.
- Built RESTful Web Services using **Spring**, strengthened application security using **Spring-Security**.
- **Technologies** – Java, Spring, Redis, MySQL, Bash, Test-NG

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**The Dark Ecology Project** – Machine Learning for Data Science (MLDS) Lab May 2017 – May 2018

- Deep Learning based tools for biologists to analyze bird migration patterns, using weather radar data.
- Contributions include building a benchmark data set and scaling models to run on large volumes of data on AWS.
- **Technologies** – MATLAB, Python, Docker, AWS Batch, AWS S3. See [darkecology.cs.umass.edu](https://darkecology.cs.umass.edu)

## OTHER PROJECTS

**Earthquake Prediction using Acoustic Time-Series Signals** – Kaggle Data Science Challenge Feb 2019-Present

- Currently using a Random Forest model to predict earthquake timings using acoustic data simulating seismic waves.
- **Technologies** – Sklearn, Pandas, Numpy, Python. See [kaggle.com/pankajb64/shake-it-up](https://kaggle.com/pankajb64/shake-it-up)

**Classification of Astronomical Objects from Light Curves** – Kaggle Data Science Challenge Oct-Dec 2018

- Using simulated data from the upcoming LSST telescope, built a CNN classifier with 60% accuracy across all classes.
- **Technologies** – Keras, Sklearn, Pandas, Numpy, Python, Bash. See [github.com/pankajb64/plasticc-kaggle](https://github.com/pankajb64/plasticc-kaggle)

**Evaluate Website Fingerprinting Attacks on the Tor Network** – SPIN (Secure, Private Internet) Lab Oct - Dec 2016

- CNN based model to predict which websites were browsed on Tor from their network traces, with over 90% accuracy.
- **Technologies** – Keras, Numpy, Python, C++, Bash, Docker. See [github.com/pankajb64/wf\\_attacks\\_evaluation](https://github.com/pankajb64/wf_attacks_evaluation)

**Learning to improve Product Delivery Schedules** – Reinforcement Learning Course Project Dec 2018

- Applied Average Reward Q-Learning to learn better strategies for delivery truck routing and product inventory control.
- **Technologies** – C++, Numpy, Python. See [github.com/pankajb64/rl-pdt](https://github.com/pankajb64/rl-pdt)

**Neural Image Caption Generator** – Machine Learning Course Project Oct - Dec 2016

- Analyzed a state-of-the-art LSTM model which generate captions for images; and visualized its inner workings.
- **Technologies** – Keras, Python. See [github.com/pankajb64/image\\_caption\\_using\\_attention](https://github.com/pankajb64/image_caption_using_attention)

**Pictionary with Jibo** – HackUMass 2016 Oct 2016

- Trained a social robot to play Pictionary from simple line-drawing images with over 80% accuracy for common objects.
- **Technologies** – TensorFlow, Jibo SDK, OpenCV, Python. See [github.com/pankajb64/jibo-pictionary](https://github.com/pankajb64/jibo-pictionary)

**Ethereum DAPP** – Block chain Course Project. **Technologies** – Solidity April 2018

- Built a Decentralized App (DAPP) in **Solidity** allowing users to play Rock Paper Scissor, betting and winning Ether.

## EDUCATION

**University of Massachusetts Amherst** MS - Computer Science (GPA – 3.97) 2016 –2018

**Coursework** – Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Artificial Intelligence, Reinforcement Learning, Blockchains

**Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Info & Comm Tech.** Bachelor of Technology 2009-2013

**Coursework:** Algorithms, Data Structures, Networks, Databases, Operating Systems, Cryptography, Natural Computing