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EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Dallas

Ph.D. in Computer Science | GPA 3.95/4.00

Aug. 2016 - Ongoing

Richardson, TX

Pune, India

Savitribai Phule Pune University

BE in Computer Engineering | GPA 73/100 First Class with Distinction

Aug. 2010 - May 2014

EXPERIENCE

Lymba Corporation

Richardson, TX

Software Engineer Intern (Part-time)

Jun 2021 - ongoing

• Currently working on designing a Question Answering system

Software Engineer Intern (Part-time)

May 2020 - Aug 2020

- Created a Word Sense Disambiguation tool using word embeddings and a rule based system
- Designed a benchmarking framework for a Python based machine learning framework

Software Engineer Intern

Jun 2019 - Aug 2019

- Created a machine learning framework to integrate Python deep learning tools with the existing Java NLP pipeline
- Designed Named Entity Recognition system using BERT and BiLSTM in Pytorch

Software Engineer Intern

May 2018 - Aug 2018

- Implemented a semi-supervised topic-based keyword extraction tool using word embeddings giving 2x accuracy and 8x time reduction over the existing system
- Designed algorithms to extract lexicons and generate BRAT configurations from an ontology

Bottle Rocket

Dallas, TX

Software Engineer Intern

Jun 2017 - Aug 2017

- Implemented multiple UX/UI stories for two Android applications that have been released on Play Store
- Followed SCRUM practice, GIT version control and JIRA for all the projects

Muffin App

Pune, India

Full Stack Developer

Feb 2016 - Jul 2016

- Engineered and developed the Muffin Android Application
- Developed Spring-Boot modules and assisted in designing the product system architecture

Great Software Laboratory

Pune, India

Software Engineer

Jul 2014 - Jan 2016

- Investigated the WebRTC protocol and modified it for an Elderly Video Calling application
- Found points of failure in an existing system and successfully scaled it up by more than 200%
- Mentored a junior employee in the development of a web-based graphical user interface for SIPp tool

PROJECTS

US Federal Elections Search Engine | Java, MongoDB, Maven, Git

Fall 2018

- Designed a continuous indexer using Single-pass In-Memory Indexing for 100k+ crawled web pages
- Implemented topic-based PageRank algorithm to rank indexed web pages
- Created the project development structure and assisted the team in API development and search result clustering

Sentence Similarity | Python

Fall 2017

- Designed a tool to measure similarity of two questions from a Quora dataset
- Evaluated different scoring functions and semantic features using SVM and Logistic Regression classifiers

DavisBase | Java, Git

Spring 2017

- Designed a database engine to perform CRUD operations with 9 other database commands
- Implemented B+ Trees for storing the data

Movie Rating Prediction | Java, Git

Spring 2017

• Implemented Collaborative Filtering for movie rating prediction on Netflix dataset containing 100M samples

Additional Experience

- Teaching Assistant at The University of Texas at Dallas (Fall 2017 Spring 2021)
- Git Essentials Workshop, Speaker, The University of Texas at Dallas, Feb 2020.
- Deep Learning Hands On, Speaker, Dallas Natural Language Processing Meetup, June 2019.
- Git Essentials Workshop, Speaker, The University of Texas at Dallas, Jan 2019.
- Topic-based Keyword Expansion, Speaker, Dallas Natural Language Processing Meetup, August 2018.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, PHP, Shell

Frameworks: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Node.js

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, Jenkins, RabbitMQ, ActiveMQ, Amazon Redshift, DynamoDB

PUBLICATIONS

- Dakle, Parag Pravin, and Dan Moldovan. "CEREC: A Corpus for Entity Resolution in Email Conversations." Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Computational Linguistics. 2020.
- Dakle, Parag Pravin, Takshak Desai, and Dan Moldovan. "A Study on Entity Resolution for Email Conversations." *Proceedings of The 12th Language Resources and Evaluation Conference*. 2020.
- Takshak Desai, **Dakle**, **Parag Pravin**, and Dan Moldovan. "Joint Learning of Syntactic Features Helps Discourse Segmentation." *Proceedings of The 12th Language Resources and Evaluation Conference*. 2020.
- Desai, Takshak, **Dakle, Parag Pravin**, and Dan Moldovan. "Generating questions for reading comprehension using coherence relations." *Proceedings of the 5th Workshop on Natural Language Processing Techniques for Educational Applications*. 2018.