# Rahul Sharma

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## **EDUCATION**

## University of California, Berkeley

Aug 2021 – May 2025

Bachelors in Computer Science | GPA: 4.0/4.0

Berkeley, CA

Courses: Machine Learning, LLM Agents, Operating Systems, Efficient Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Security (TA), Data Structures, Convex Optimization Models, Computer Architecture, Principles of Data Science (TA)

#### EXPERIENCE

NVIDIA

May 2024 – Aug 2024

Software Engineering Intern - Deep Learning Algorithms

Santa Clara, CA

- Analyzed LLM (LLaMa3, Mistral, etc.) performance on high-end DGX servers versus affordable GPU (A100, L40S, H100) system architectures to find cost-optimized deep learning datacenter options for various model sizes
- Developed a platform leveraging NVIDIA NeMo/TensorRT-LLM, Docker, and Slurm to deploy distributed LLM training/inference workloads across GPU clusters, supporting runs on multiple GPUs and nodes
- Accelerated workloads by over 15% on the low-cost servers (deployed via the developed platform) through model parallelism, hyperparameter tuning, FP8 quantization, and mixed precision
- Constructed a pipeline to track NVLink bandwidth across distributed LLM workloads, utilizing Nsight Systems and SQLite to report/store performance metrics and identify communication bottlenecks on various GPU topologies

## Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research (BAIR)

Aug 2023 - May 2024

Researcher - Computational Imaging Lab

Berkeley, CA

- Utilized PyTorch to contribute towards the development of a UNet-based model incorporating multi-attention and sinusoidal positional embeddings for enhanced image denoising and reconstruction
- Investigated the impact of applying and learning a point spread function on image reconstruction quality versus traditional downsampling with Gaussian noise, resulting in a 5% accuracy improvement with the new approach
- Worked on building a scalable video-caption generation pipeline and finetuning text-to-video models

**Amazon** May 2023 – Aug 2023

Software Engineering Intern - Alexa Devices Lab126

Sunnyvale, CA

- Developed an interal Python-based framework to conduct real-time performance monitoring/testing for Amazon Echo device cameras, validating KPIs like resolution, frame rate, and image capturing latency
- Implemented scalable backend services for storing/analyzing the reported camera performance data, utilizing PostgreSQL for metadata and event logging and Amazon S3 for storing captured images and videos
- Collaborated with the computer vision team to enhance motion detection capabilities, enabling the automatic adjustment of camera features based on detected movement

GreenOps

May 2022 – Aug 2022

 $Software\ Engineering\ Intern$ 

San Jose, CA

- Built on top of a Kubernetes infrastructure to deploy ArgoCD applications within the GreenOps environment, conducting stress and load testing to measure overall system reliability
- Used Prometheus/Grafana to set up metrics endpoints, scrape CPU/memory usage logs, and create visualizations

#### **PROJECTS**

**PintOS** — *C. x86* 

Jan 2024 – May 2024

- Created a custom operating system for the x86 architecture, implementing features such as kernel threads, a buffer caching file system, floating point operations, and virtual memory
- Enhanced processing speeds by over 40% via synchronization, priority scheduling algorithms, resource allocation strategies, and efficient memory management techniques

## Secure File Storage System — Golang

Mar 2024 - May 2024

- Designed a secure end-to-end file storage system using Golang and cryptography concepts to ensure data integrity and confidentiality (symmetric key encryption, message authentication codes, hashing, etc.)
- Implemented account management and file operations: create, read, overwrite, append, and file sharing

#### Convolution-Optimized Video Processing — C. OpenMP

Oct 2023 – Dec 2023

- Optimized 2D convolution operations for video processing, leveraging SIMD instructions, OpenMP directives, cache/algorithmic optimizations to achieve a 12x performance speedup
- Constructed an Open MPI coordinator for parallel task execution, improving efficiency through multiprocessing

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, C, C++, Rust, CUDA, Golang, Javascript, x86, RISC-V, HTML/CSS, Bash/Shell, R Machine Learning/Data: PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, Pandas, SQL, Scikit, OpenCV, TensorRT, NeMo Technologies: Linux, Docker, Git, AWS, GCP, Kubernetes, Slurm, React, Node, Promethus, Grafana, PostgreSQL