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# **EDUCATION**

# University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA

Master of Science in Computer Science | SWE USC

Aug 2023 – May 2025

GPA: 3.95/4.0 | Courses: Algorithms, Deep Learning, 3D Vision, Robotics, Natural Language Processing

# RV College of Engineering

Bangalore, India

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science | Technical Head at Coding Club

Aug 2017 - Jul 2021

GPA: 9.29/10 | Courses: Data Structures, Algorithms, Object Oriented Programming, Operating Systems, Data Science and Machine Learning, Computer Networks, Distributed Programming, Computer Architecture, Big Data

# SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Java, Python, C/C++, Scala, HTML, CSS, Javascript, JSP, ReactJS, Node.js
- SDE Tools: Kubernetes, Docker, Apache Kafka, SQL, MongoDB, DynamoDB, Hadoop, AWS, GCP, ELK Stack
- Machine Learning: Tensorflow, PyTorch, Keras, Scikit-learn, Numpy, Pandas, OpenCV, Open3D, ROS, Unity, AWS SageMaker, LLMs, CNN, Generative AI, GANs, Multimodal learning
- Others: Spring MVC, JQuery, Kibana, Grafana, Prometheus, RTP, SIP, TCP/IP, HTTP, Git, Github, Cloud Computing, Jenkins, Jira, REST API, CI/CD, Agile, Linux

#### EXPERIENCE

# Dragonfruit AI

Menlo Park, CA (Remote)

Machine Learning Engineer Coop

Jan 2025 - Present

- Working on predicting loss caused in the self-checkout lanes of supermarkets using Tiny-CLIP and YOLOv9
- Contributing to a team that works with **LLMs**, **vision transformers**, embedding models, efficient **object detection models**, and **object tracking** technologies in **Python**

#### Amazon

Seattle, USA

Software Engineer (Machine Learning) Intern

Jun 2024 - Aug 2024

- Implemented pet profile autofill for personalized recommendations based on deep learning using OpenAI CLIP deployed in AWS SageMaker and trained AWS Rekognition using Python achieving an F1 score of 0.82
- Developed a feature for memorializing deceased or rehomed pets while stopping recommendations and subscriptions in real-time, using Java, JavaScript, JSP, AWS Lambda, and DynamoDB, and pushed it to production

## Cisco Systems

Bangalore, India

Software Engineer

Aug 2021 - Jul 2023

- Developed scalable backend services in **Scala and Java** for WebexCC using cloud-native **microservice** architecture on **AWS and Kubernetes**, ensuring high availability and fault tolerance for voice call handling
- Managed voice calls with Apache Kafka, Session Border Controller, SIP Proxy Server, and REST APIs
- Reduced number of lines of code of services by 90% using Kubernetes Operator with Helm and Go

### Samsung R&D Institute

Bangalore, India

Research Intern

May 2020 – Jul 2020

- Improved structural and perceptual quality of zoomed-in images using deep learning through **Super-Resolution**Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) and **reduced its computation costs** by processing RGB and raw images
- Conducted experiments with separable convolutions, optimizations, and skip connections to achieve a 97% reduction in computation cost while enhancing PSNR and SSIM of the generated images

## Projects

# Using Gaussian Splatting with Virtual Reality | Python (Pytorch)

Sep 2024 – Present

- Research at USC Institute for Creative Technologies under Prof. Yajie Zhao (targeting top conferences 2025)
- Working on a Virtual Reality project with 3D Gaussian Splatting, Transformers and Computer Vision

#### Monopoly++: MARL environment for Monopoly | Python | link

Jan 2024 – Apr 2024

- Designed and developed an open-source Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning (MARL) Gym environment of Monopoly that allows collaboration between agents
- Trained collaborative reinforcement learning agents using **StableBaselines3** and **Proximal Policy Optimization** (**PPO**) that won **98.8**% of the time against static random agents