SINDHU VADAPALLI

Education

Arizona State University

Expected May 2026

Masters of Science in Computer Science: with thesis \mid GPA: 4.0

Tempe, AZ

Arizona State University

Aug. 2021 – May 2025

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Statistics | GPA: 4.0

Tempe, AZ

Relevant Coursework

• Database Management

- Data Structures and Algorithms
- Artificial Intelligence

- Design and Analysis of Algorithms
- Bio-Inspired computing
- Foundations of Machine Learning

Experience

Research Assistant

September 2024 – Present

Self-Organizing Particle Systems Lab, ASU

Tempe, AZ

- Worked on finding near-optimal solutions for the traveling salesman problem using reinforcement learning. Tested an auction-based heuristic against the greedy nearest-neighbor heuristic.
- \bullet Around 85% instances outperformed nearest neighbor with an average of 2.5% cost improvement. Funded by the National Science Foundation REU award.

Software Engineering Intern (Capstone Project)

August 2024 - May 2024

Hidden Gemz

Remote

- Assisted in development of a real-time, user centered recommendation system using collaborative filtering.
- Implemented using Google Maps API to get the distance and time it takes to get to places given location and transportation method. Contributed to testing, system scalability, and streamlining API/database calls for future growth. Tools and tech stack: Pandas, NumPy, Sci-kit learn, PostgreSQL

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

August 2022 - December 2024

Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, ASU

Tempe, AZ

- UGTA for Intro to Theoretical Computer Science Held 1 hour of weekly office hours; help with exam proctoring; 2 exam reviews for midterms with an approximate 200 student turnover.
- UGTA for "Principles of Programming" and UGTA and Grader "Object Oriented Programming and Data Structures".

Research Assistant

May 2024 - November 2024

The Virtualized Infrastructures, Systems, and Applications Lab, ASU

Tempe, AZ

• Assisted on a project that used machine learning models to predict stress using biometric data collected from police cadets using Fitbits. Used tools like TensorFlow, Sci-kit Learn, NumPy.

Projects

Cookin: your AI chef buddy! | React native, RN Executorch, LLaMA 3 model

June 2025

- Developed an AI app using React Native and Executorch to make cooking and meal planning easy.
- Used React Native Executorch to incorporate on-device LLaMA 3 model to help users curate recipes.
- Implemented speech-to-text (STT) using react-voice along with text input to cater to various users.
- Prompt engineered to fine-tune recipe outputs for accuracy and creativity. Shipped the app to App Store, ensuring optimized performance and responsive UI.

LingoVerse | MongoDB, Express.js, React, Node.js

August 2024

• Developed a full-stack language learning application using MongoDB, Express.js, React, and Node.js. Implemented user authentication and login and flashcards categorized by topics to enhance learning.

EffortLogger: track teams' progress | Java, Eclipse, JavaFX

August 2023

• Developed an interactive application that helps users log daily efforts using JavaFX, Java, and FXML. Led an Agile team and implemented a 2-week sprint cycle to ensure efficient progress and collaboration.

Technical Skills and Awards

Languages: Python, Java, C/C++, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, SQL, Swift Developer Tools: VS Code, Eclipse, Jupyter Notebooks, Xcode, Firebase

Technologies/Frameworks: React Native (Expo), React, GitHub, JUnit, Jira

Awards: Dean's List (every semester), FURI award, National Science Foundation REU award, New American University -

Provost's Award