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EDUCATION

University Of California, Riverside | Masters of Science in Computer Science

Sept 2024 – Dec 2025 (Expected)

- Relevant Coursework: Design & Analysis of Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Cloud Computing
- Top 3 @ UCRPC 2024

SOA University, Bhubaneswar | Bachelors of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering

Nov 2020 - Sept 2024

- Relevant Courses: Computer System Architecture, Data Structures, Design & Analysis of Algorithms, Object-oriented
 Programming, Computer Networking, Operating Systems, Database management systems, Cryptography & Network Security.
- Merit Scholarship Awardee | Top 10 Semi-finalist @ Xperiments 6.0 by UST.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Fellow | Headstarter AI | Remote, Long Island, NY

July 2024 - Sep 2024

- Developed Al-driven web applications in 5 weeks using React.js, Next.js, and REST APIs for enhanced UX and performance.
- Implemented scalable cloud solutions with Next.js, AWS Lambda, DynamoDB and AI, optimizing speed and reliability.
- Built features using PostgreSQL and JavaScript to work on a startup's backlog, meeting business requirements.

Data Science Intern | Coding Rajas Technologies | Remote, India

Aug 2023 - Sep 2023

- Built real-time, ML-based fraud detection models with TensorFlow, Pandas, and Scikit-learn, improving transaction security.
- Applied statistical techniques using Pandas, NumPy, and SQL, identifying anomalies and improving flagging accuracy.
- Achieved >95% detection accuracy on 1M+ transactions using preprocessing, model optimization, and feature extraction.

Artificial Intelligence Intern | Pantech ProEd Pvt Ltd | Remote, India

Jul 2023 - Aug 2023

- Analysed a dataset of 10K+ images using OpenCV and Pandas, uncovering insights that enhanced AI model performance.
- Improved training pipelines by implementing data augmentation and normalization techniques with TensorFlow.
- Automated data preprocessing workflows using Python and Scikit-learn, significantly accelerating model training.

PROJECTS

Traffic Management System | Top 10 @ Xperiments 6.0 by UST | Team Lead

- Developed a **cloud-based** traffic management prototype using simulated real-time data, **Google Cloud** and **Python**, optimizing traffic light timing and emergency lane creation.
- Implemented ML algorithms with Scikit-learn and NumPy to optimize traffic flow and automate law enforcement.
- Designed a user-friendly interface with Figma, React.js and integrated data visualization to provide actionable traffic insights.

Real-Time sign Language to Text Conversion | SOA University - Pending Publication | Team Lead

- Developed a sign language-to-text conversion system with **Mediapipe**, **OpenCV**, and **TensorFlow**, achieving **98.98%** accuracy.
- Implemented hand-landmarking with Pose Estimation and image segmentation using Pytorch, scikit-learn and TensorFlow to eliminate background reliance, reducing the error rate to <5% in noisy backgrounds.
- Optimized real-time gesture recognition using Python, NumPy, and CNN-based models for efficient text conversion.

Reddit Based Content Creating Bot | Personal Project

- Developed a Reddit bot using Reddit's API to fetch trending threads and top comments, converting them into TikTok-videos.
- Generated dynamic content with PIL and MoviePy, overlaying text on pre-determined footage for ready-to-upload videos.
- Automated video creation using Python, streamlining content production for social media platforms.

SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, Java, JavaScript, SQL
- Tools/Frameworks: HTML/CSS, React.js, Next.js | Kubernetes, Docker, AWS, GCP, DynamoDB | MySQL, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, DBMS | TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, NumPy, OpenCV, Pytorch | Git/GitHub, REST APIs, Linux, Object Oriented Design, Django | Tableau, Power BI, Figma.

CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAINING

- Data Visualization: Empowering Business with Effective Insights Tata Technologies, Forage
- Google Cloud Facilitator Google Cloud Community, India
- SQL & Databases HackerRank
- Tableau Simplilearn
- Data Science the MAANG way upGrad
- Best Practices in Data Analytics KIMO.AI