

# Ravi Kiran Selvam

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## EDUCATION

### M.S in Applied Data Science

University of Southern California - Viterbi School of Engineering

May 2021\*

### B.E. in Computer Science (Among top 5% out of 180 students)

Anna University - CEG Campus

CGPA- 9.47/10

April 2019

## SKILLS

**Operating Systems:** Linux, macOS, Windows

**Languages:** C, C++, Python (Proficient); Java (Intermediate);

**Database and Client/Server Technologies:** MySQL, MongoDB, Snowflake, Azure Data lake, Flask, Bootstrap, JavaScript, Firebase

**Software Tools:** Git, Android Studio, Anaconda

**ML Frameworks:** Tensorflow, Keras, scikit-learn

## OPEN SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

### Google Summer of Code 2018 Student Developer, CERN

April 2018 - August 2018

- Provided support for advanced deep learning optimizers in the open-sourced **ROOT-TMVA, a data analysis software framework** by CERN
- [Implemented deep learning optimization algorithms](#) (SGD, RMSProp, Adam, Adagrad, etc.) by exploiting the parallel programming capabilities using C++ and low-level libraries (Blas, CUDA and CuBlas in CPU & GPU architecture); my code has been successfully integrated into the [new production release of ROOT version 6.16](#)
- Tech stack: **C++, Blas, CUDA, CuBlas**

## EXPERIENCE

### Software Development Engineer Intern, Amazon

May 2017- July 2017

- Developed prototype features for **Amazon-Fire TV Stick** to integrate marketing notifications using Amazon's internal library
- Created a prototype to integrate IMDB ratings with Amazon Prime videos, where the user's rating for a particular video will get accumulated to the IMDB rating
- Tech: **Java, XML, Software testing, Software design principles**

### Data Science Intern, Motorq

December 2018 - June 2019

- Set up the **initial Data Science workflow** and infrastructure for building ML models
- Analyzed **large-scale connected car data** from IoT devices and solved problems such as refueling event detection, idling time detecting, trip completion event detection
- Designed and Implemented **various engine hour metrics, meta-metrics** for different parameters of car data and analyzed the trends across time and build the **battery voltage failure prediction model**
- Tech stack: **Python, numpy, pandas, matplotlib, plotly, scikit-learn, TensorFlow, snowflake, Azure Data lake, Azure VM**

### Machine Learning Intern, Kenome Technologies

May 2018 - June 2018

- Built a deep learning model to perform **sequence tagging** for colors, materials, and patterns in text documents
- Built a method for data-annotation by reducing the time complexity of string matching from naive algorithm using a modified version of Trie data structure. Observed a maximum F1 score of 0.94 for tagging colors and materials in the testing data set
- Built a dashboard to **visualize the crypto-currency prediction model** using Plotly and d3 libraries
- Tech stack: **Python, TensorFlow, Keras, AWS EC2, plotly, d3**

## PROJECTS

### DocDroid Application for Medical Emergency

Dec 2017 - Jan 2018

- Developed an android application to facilitate people during medical emergencies
- Built server-side using Flask framework; enabled automatic booking of ambulance & allocation of nearest hospital with an adequate facility to patients with a single tap
- Sent notification to patient's emergency contacts to live track the ambulance

- Technologies: **Python, Flask, Java, XML, Firebase, scikit-learn**

### Online Assessment System

Aug 2017 - Oct 2017

- Created a web application for college students to attend online assessments
- Developed a user-friendly UI to enable faculty to create online tests for students; Automatically scored objectives and descriptive answers by matching key answers given by faculty
- Technologies: **Python, Flask, Bootstrap, Javascript, HTML, JQuery**

### Alpha Math Tools

Sep 2015 - Nov 2015

- Developed an android application to solve basic mathematical problems
- Incorporated options to calculate interest for automobile/home loans and solve linear/quadratic equations for students; [Available on Play Store](#) with 4.9 rating and 100+ downloads
- Technologies: **Java, XML**

### AWARDS

- Ranked 35th among 250 teams (Amritapuri Regionals) and 30th among 120 teams (Chennai Regionals) **across India** in ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest, **December 2017**
- Won 25 coding (algorithmic) competitions in 12 inter-college tech fests (by securing 1st among ~400 participants), **October 2016 - March 2019**

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Power Graph for Citation Network

August 2017 - November 2017

- Developed a new data structure (in **C++**) by modifying power graph to represent relationships between author and co-author in a citation network dataset.
- Deduced algorithms to perform queries like finding the bonding value between authors (to find the type of citation between papers) and a similarity index between research papers.

### RESEARCH PAPERS PENDING PUBLICATION

- Mahalakshmi G.S\*, Makesh Narsimhan Sreedhar\*, **Ravi Kiran Selvam\***, Sendhilkumar S: ***Exploiting Bi-LSTMs for Named Entity Recognition in Indian Culinary Science***; In proceedings of the 4th international conference on Next Generation Computing Technologies, NGCT 2018; In Communications in Computer and Information Science Series of Springer Journal. (accepted and presented on November 2018)

### CERTIFICATIONS

- Big Data Specialization (series of 6 courses) by UofCalifornia San Diego, Coursera, **(ongoing)**
- Deep Learning Specialization (series of 5 courses) by Deeplearning.ai, Coursera, **March 2018**
- Machine Learning by Stanford University, Coursera, **December 2017**
- Codechef Certified Data Structures and Algorithms Program (CCDSAP) - Advanced Level, CodeChef, **November 2017**

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Founder, CEG Codechef Campus Chapter** - Delivered lectures on competitive programming to many college students and trained them to participate in the ACM-ICPC, **September 2018 - March 2019**
- Problem Setter, Abacus'17 & Abacus'18**, departmental inter-collegiate national-level technical symposium- Organized 5 intercollegiate onsite & online programming contests (HackerRank, CodeChef), Anna University, **March 2017 & March 2018**
- Volunteer, CEG Linux Users group (CEGLUG)** - Delivered lectures on open source tools to many college students to create awareness about the same, **September 2017 - March 2019**
- Authored 2 blogs** for beginners on Algorithms and Data Structures with ~10,000 page views, (Link1, Link 2), **March 2016 - May 2017**

**LANGUAGES:** English, Tamil (Read/Write/Speak)