Nithin Raghavan

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley (Class of 2021)

Computer Science Bachelor of Arts, Applied Mathematics Bachelor of Arts

Aug~2017-present

(GPA: 3.67)

• CS61B: Data Structures

• CS170: Efficient Algorithms

• EE127: Optimization Models and Applications

• Math 128a: Numerical Analysis

• Math 126: Partial Differential Equations

• CS189: Introduction to Machine Learning

Aug 2015 - May 2017

Georgia Institute of Technology

Courses taken while in high school

• Applied Combinatorics

• Number Theory and Cryptography

EXPERIENCE

\rightarrow Samsung Advanced Computing Lab

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Conducted extensive research on the potential routes of optimization and quantization of deep learning models such as MobileNet, R-FCN, SRCNN and ESRGAN as part of Samsung's GPU team
- Researched the graphics pipeline and became acquainted with AMD's compute and graphics architecture, and wrote + ran 2D register-blocked GEMM kernels with increased WPT in OpenCL on AMD architecture
- Wrote and trained two neural networks; the first to perform ambient occlusion on complex OpenGL-rendered scenes, and the second to convert a flat-rendered scene to a lifelike, physically based rendered one

→ Mobile Sensing Lab, UC Berkeley

Oct 2018 - Present

- Currently writing code implementing a parallelized Frank-Wolfe algorithm for dynamic traffic assignment using contraction hierarchies in C++ and CUDA
- Helping research the impact of different optimization models of routing behaviour on the Waze traffic problem

\rightarrow RISE Lab, UC Berkeley

Jun 2018 - Dec 2018

- Designed and implemented a data visualization tool for Jupyter Notebook for hyperparameter optimization for Cirrus, a serverless machine learning framework
- Helped write code to spawn AWS Lambdas that parallelize training of models like logistic regression

PROJECTS

\rightarrow Resource-Provisioning GPU Server

Dec 2017 - present

- Developed a shell in Python automating on-demand request processing + resource provisioning in GPU cluster
- Collaborated on a team to create a program that utilizes Slurm for cluster management and deploys tasks in Docker containers

ightarrow Software Renderer Jul 2019

- Developed a software-based rasterizer and renderer with pixel and vertex shader support in C++, and increased its runtime with block-based rasterization
- Renders with SDL, and is capable of barycentric interpolation, backface culling and texture mapping

→ LASSO/Wavelet Based Compressed Sensing Algorithm

Jul 2019

- Lossily compresses audio/images by computing LASSO on the matrix-vector product representation of the discrete wavelet transform of the input signal
- Uses orthogonal Daubechies wavelets, and preprocesses data for ML training

SKILLS

Awards: Exploravision National Contest

2016

• Wrote a paper proposing blockchain's potential link to autonomous vehicles, and won honorable mention.

Models/Algorithms: Regression/classification (ridge, logistic, SVM, decision trees, OLS), PCA/SVD,

ensemble learning, k-means, deep learning (CNNs, LSTMs, GANs), Frank-Wolfe Frameworks/Softwares: Numpy, Scipy, Pytorch, OpenCV, Docker, Slurm, d3js, OpenCL, OpenGL

Programming Languages: Python, Java, C, C++, C#, Bash, Latex, SQL, JavaScript, Matlab

Operating Systems: Unix-like systems (Linux, FreeBSD, Mac OS X), Windows Certifications: Android Development (University of Maryland through Coursera)