

# RUSHALI MOHBE

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## EDUCATION

### Northeastern University

*Master's in Artificial Intelligence, Khoury College of Computer Science, GPA: 4.0/4.0*

**Sept 2023 – Present**

*Boston, Massachusetts*

### Ramaiah Institute of Technology

*Bachelor's in Computer Science and Engineering, CGPA: 9.39/10*

**Sept 2016 – May 2020**

*Bangalore, India*

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

**Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence,** Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Discrete Mathematics, Probability, Statistics, Linear Algebra, Data Structures, Computer Networks, Operating Systems, Database Systems.

## EXPERIENCE

### Institute for Experiential AI, Northeastern University

*Software Analyst*

**Sept 2023 – Present**

*Boston, Massachusetts*

- Developing a pipeline using Large Language Models to simulate war games to test epidemic preparedness strategies.
- Testing fairness and bias in the war games scenarios generated by generative models like LLMs.
- Predicting whether a disease outbreak alert from Promed will be significant enough to be flagged by WHO
- Assessing the risk associated with any new disease outbreak alert based on the alert text.

### ArtPark, Indian Institute of Science (IISc)

*R&D Engineer*

**June 2022 – June 2023**

*Bangalore, India*

- Led the design and development of a scalable software solution to control and monitor teleoperated robot assistants. The beta version facilitated seamless robot control across continents, demonstrating minimal latency.
- Co-authored a workshop paper at 2nd Workshop Toward Robot Avatars @ ICRA 2023 titled "An Autonomous Mobile Robot based Tele-Presence System with Augmentation: A Pilot Trial of Virtual Museum Tour"
- Proposed a machine learning model for real-time viseme detection allowing for better control of an avatar's expressions and enhancing its realism.
- Engineered a web-based solution with the capacity to anonymize faces in video calls by mirroring facial landmark movements onto a 3-D avatar, ensuring both privacy and an interactive visual experience.

### Robert Bosch Centre for Cyber-Physical Systems, IISc

*Technical Assistant*

**Aug 2020 – June 2022**

*Bangalore, India*

- Developed an end-to-end telepresence solution for a humanoid robot, enabling it to mimic the operator's arm movements, head pose, and facial expressions.
- Built a framework capable of identifying a person's facial expressions while wearing a virtual reality (VR) headset.
- Contributed to ZED SDK by fixing a bug preventing the video stream from being latched to the VR view.
- Employed speech-to-text along with phoneme/viseme recognition to enable a robot to mimic human speech in real-time.
- Distinguished as a semifinalist in the \$10M ANA Avatar XPRIZE Competition. Played a pivotal role within a three-person team showcasing leadership, teamwork, and development skills.

### Robert Bosch Centre for Cyber-Physical Systems, IISc

*Research Intern*

**Oct 2019 – July 2020**

*Bangalore, India*

- Synthesized a realistic simulation environment of the IISc using Unreal Engine. Various navigational algorithms for drones were trained and evaluated using this dynamic simulation to test the efficacy of drone delivery systems.
- Pioneered the development of a custom SLAM pipeline for autonomous aerial vehicle navigation, leveraging deep learning techniques for feature extraction.

### GE Healthcare, Edison AI

*Intern*

**Jun 2019 – Sept 2019**

*Bangalore, India*

- Employed Nvidia Clara, an AI-assisted annotation tool, to curate a dataset of chest CT scans. Designed a machine learning model using this dataset to detect pneumothorax with an 84% accuracy.
- Created an interactive visualization using Neo4j to trace jupyter notebooks, datasets, and packages used by data scientists in the healthcare domain.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### CSE11 Machine Learning, Ramaiah Institute of Technology

Jan 2020 - Jun 2020

*Undergraduate Teaching Assistant*

*Bangalore, India*

- Created supplementary course material for a better understanding of core machine learning ideas.
- Developed theory exercises to solidify comprehension of machine learning concepts and their applications.
- Designed lab exercises for students to gain hands-on experience.

## PROJECTS

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### Explaining predictions of heart congestion from ECGs

Sept 2023

- Proposing the use of LIME (Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations) to explain predictions made by popular machine learning models that detect the presence of heart congestion from time-series data.
- Using explanations to evaluate features chosen by popular machine learning model architectures.

### Generalized aspect-based sentiment analysis

Mar 2020

- Employed an unsupervised clustering algorithm to extract relevant aspect terms from reviews of any domain automatically. Sentiment analysis performed on the extracted terms could accurately cluster and identify sentiments.

### Real-time Human segmentation | *Placed first at Bootstrap Paradox Hackathon*

Aug 2019

- Implemented a model based on DeepLabV3+ to segment humans in a live stream to achieve high-quality segmentation while occupying minimal GPU memory.

### Detection of eye diseases using Deep Learning | *Placed second at GE Precision Healthcare Hackathon*

Dec 2018

- Built a Deep Learning model to analyze OCT scans of an eye to predict whether the the presence of Choroidal Neovascularization or Diabetic Macular Edema. Achieved a 98% accuracy whereas previous state-of-the-art models had 92% accuracy.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

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### \$10M ANA Avatar XPRIZE Competition | *Semifinalist*

2021

### Bootstrap Paradox Hackathon | *Won first place*

2019

### Mercuri Goldmann Skillathon | *Won first place*

2019

### RedHat Bit-by-Bit Hackathon | *Won second place*

2019

### GE Precision Healthcare Hackathon | *Won second place*

2018

### NMIT Hackathon | *Won first place*

2018

### 16th Annual Student Unmanned Air Systems Competition | *Placed 1st in Asia, 10th worldwide*

2018

### 15th Annual Student Unmanned Air Systems Competition | *Placed 2nd in Asia, 15th worldwide*

2017

## SKILLS

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**Programming:** Python, R, C++, Java, SQL, Flask

**Frameworks:** Keras, PyTorch, Tensorflow, OpenCV, React, FastAPI, ROS, Neo4j

**WebDev:** JavaScript, Three.js, HTML/CSS

**Utilities:** Docker, AWS, Git, Jupyter Notebook

## INTERESTS

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**Art:** Nail art, Digital art, Watercolour painting

**Sports:** Boxing, Volleyball

**Misc:** Baking, Gardening, Aerial Silks, and Hula hooping