Aditya Saligrama

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EDUCATION

Stanford University

Stanford, CA

M.S. Candidate in Computer Science, Computer and Network Security

Feb 2023 - Jun 2025

B.S. Candidate in Computer Science, Systems | GPA 3.9

Sep 2020 – Jun 2024

• Coursework includes Cryptography, Computer and Network Security, Modern Internet Infrastructure, Parallel Computing, Networks, Databases, Embedded Operating Systems, Compilers, Algorithms, Trust & Safety, Machine Learning, NLP, Blockchain

Experience

I. Work experience

Software Engineering Intern, Security and Privacy at Verkada

Jun 2023 - Sep 2023 at San Mateo, CA

- · Established automated firmware & network security testing program and Linux hardening standards for physical security devices
- Test implementation and enforcement substantially reduced device attack surface and improved security and compliance posture

Head of Infrastructure and Security at Medeloop

Jun 2022 - Jun 2023 at Palo Alto, CA

· Led client & API deployment on AWS and organizational security posture for rare disease data platform startup

Software Engineering Intern at Lacework

Jun 2022 - Sep 2022 at San Jose, CA

- Engineered end-to-end virtualization of benchmarking system on Spark, reducing data import time by 20x vs. Snowflake
- Contributed enhanced Snowflake and Spark parsing support to SQLGlot, an open-source SQL parser and transpiler; 3 PRs merged

Engineering Intern at Uptycs

Nov. 2020 - Apr. 2021 at Waltham, MA

- · Wrote and deployed production feature to Osquery monitoring software to inspect and detect malware in Java packages
- Code now open-source; functionality used to detect and patch client software with Log4Shell vulnerabilities (10.0 severity CVE)

Research Science Institute Intern at Akamai Technologies

Jun 2019 - Aug 2019 at Cambridge, MA

• Engineered Go realtime garbage collection monitoring system used for profiling and optimization across Akamai Labs codebase

II. Teaching, leadership, and competition experience

Instructor, CS 40 Cloud Infra. & Scalable Application Deployment at Stanford University Jan 2024 – Mar 2024 at Stanford, CA

• Taught Stanford's first-ever intro cloud computing course. Created lectures, IaC assignments, and AWS course management infra

President, CCDC Linux & Cloud Lead, and CPTC Web Lead at Stanford Applied Cyber

Jan 2021 – Present at Stanford, CA

- Led Linux, AWS, web security defense & offense on 2023 National CCDC Champion team & 2024 Global CPTC 2nd place team
 Found & disclosed security vulnerabilities to 20+ startup apps, leading to data-protecting fixes; founded Stanford Security Clinic
- · Directed workshops on vuln-finding (webapps, Firebase, Gradescope, GraphQL, AWS) and product security for entrepreneurs

Teaching Assistant, Hack Lab (Alex Stamos & Riana Pfefferkorn) at Stanford University Sep 2022 – Dec 2022 at Stanford, CA

• Built course GCP infra at scale; created web & network security labs for 170-student intro cyber security, law, and policy course

III. Research projects and experience

- Software patching dynamics (Stanford): Exploring how and when organizations patch vulnerable software on the internet
- Parallel, human-interpretable ML (*Harvard*): Achieved linear speedup on <u>CORELS</u> increasing tractability of 250k+ sample datasets; short paper featured at SysML 2018 (57% acceptance rate); implemented R API and Node.js web UI
- Rust concurrency evaluation (MIT): Developed fast, lock-free Rust concurrent hashmap with 150+ stars on GitHub
- Adversarial machine learning (MIT): Designed ensemble schemes that increase accuracy but preserves adversarial robustness
- Political polarity detection (*Independent*): Implemented novel two-step classification scheme for political bias increasing accuracy on long articles by 13%; paper published at AAAI 2020 student abstract program (48% acceptance rate)
- Customer support assistants (Stanford): Created virtual assistant pipeline to classify support requests with GPT-3 augmentation

SKILLS

- Languages: C, C++, Python, Java, Go, Rust, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, SQL, ARM and x86 assembly, Bash, Markdown, LaTeX
- Frameworks: Django, FastAPI, SQLAlchemy, Node js, React js, Next js, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Hugo, Bootstrap
- Technologies and Developer Tools: Git, Unix, Docker, Kubernetes, Temporal, Packer, Terraform, Osquery, AWS (incl. CDK), GCP
- Security Tools and Techniques: Burp Suite, Wireshark, Metasploit, Network Scanning, Security Research, Vulnerability Disclosure

PUBLICATIONS

- A. Saligrama, G. Leclerc. Revisiting Ensembles in an Adversarial Context: Improving Natural Accuracy. ICLR:TML'20, 2020.
- A. Saligrama. KnowBias: Detecting Political Polarity in Long Text Content. AAAI:SAP'20, 2020.
- A. Saligrama. KnowBias: A Novel AI Method to Detect Polarity in Online Content. arXiv:1905.00724, 2019.
- A. Saligrama, A. Shen, J. Gjengset. A Practical Analysis of Rust's Concurrency Story. arXiv:1904.12210, 2019.
- N. Larus-Stone, E. Angelino, D. Alabi, M. Seltzer, V. Kaxiras, A. Saligrama, C. Rudin.
- Systems Optimizations for Learning Certifiably Optimal Rule Lists. SysML (now MLSys) Conference, 2018.

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS