# Aditya Saligrama

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# **EDUCATION**

# Stanford University

Sep 2020 – Jun 2024

B.S. and M.S. Candidate in Computer Science | GPA 3.9

Stanford, CA

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

# Experience

#### I. Work experience

# 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)

Security Consultant Jun 2022 – Present

• Evaluating and strengthening initial setup and ongoing security of tech stack (incl. Firebase, AWS Lambda) for Stanford startups

# Research Science Institute Intern at Akamai Technologies

Jun 2019 - Aug 2019 at Cambridge, MA

- Engineered realtime garbage collection monitoring system for Go programs with per-thread granularity
- Detailed flagging of stop-the-world pauses used for profiling and boosting performance across Akamai Labs codebase

#### II. Teaching, leadership, and competition experience

#### Teaching Assistant at Stanford University

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022 at Stanford, CA

TA for INTLPOL 268 (Hack Lab) taught by Alex Stamos, Riana Pfefferkorn

- Taught two discussion sections (44 students) for Stanford's intro cyber security, law, and policy course; 170 students enrolled
- Built course GCP infra; created labs including encrypted WiFi PCAP cracking and leaking data from insecure Firebase chat app

#### Vice President and CCDC Linux & Cloud Lead at Stanford Applied Cybersecurity

Jan 2021 - Present at Stanford, CA

- Securing Linux and AWS systems against external red teams in CCDC competition environments; 3rd place national finish
- Found and disclosed security vulnerabilities to 10+ startups, leading to data-protecting fixes; work covered in Stanford Daily
- · Directed workshops on security basics for beginners and application security for entrepreneurs
- Presented on vuln-finding in Firebase apps; contributed Google OAuth login support to open-source Firebase exploration tool

# 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 <u>R API</u> and Node.js web UI
- Rust concurrency evaluation (MIT): Developed fast, lock-free Rust concurrent hashmap with 140+ stars on GitHub
- Adversarial machine learning (MIT): Designed ensemble schemes that increase accuracy while preserving adversarial robustness vs. single model; paper presented at ICLR 2020 workshop (44% acceptance rate)
- **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)
- Virtual assistants for customer support queries (*Stanford*): Created virtual assistant pipeline to classify customer support requests with GPT-3 data augmentation; increased sample data size by 4x

#### SKILLS

- Languages: C, C++, Python, Java, Go, Rust, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, SQL, ARM and x86 assembly, Bash, Markdown, LaTeX
- Frameworks: Django, Node.js, React.js, Next.js, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Hugo, Bootstrap
- Technologies and Developer Tools: Git, Unix, Docker, Packer, Osquery, AWS, 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

- 3rd place, National CCDC (2022), 1st place, Western Regional CCDC (2022, 2023); 2nd place, NCCDC Wild Card and WRCCDC (2021)
- USA Computing Olympiad, Gold Division (2018 2020)