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Education

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, USA

MASTERS IN LANGUAGE TECHNOLOGIES

August 2016 - August 2018

- Advisor: Carolyn Penstein Rosè
- CGPA: 3.84/4
- Selected Coursework: Intro to Machine Learning, Algorithms for NLP, Machine Translation, Computational Discourse Analysis, Deep Learning (ongoing), ML for Large Datasets (ongoing)

Vellore Institute of Technology

Vellore, India

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY

May 2008 - June 2012

- Major: Computer Science and Engineering
- CGPA: 9.4/10

Professional Experience

Microsoft

Hyderabad, India

SOFTWARE ENGINEER (CLOUD DATA AND APPLICATION PROTECTION)

June 2012 - March 2016

- Involved in the design, implementation and testing of major replication features of standalone and clustered virtual machines for enterprise servers.
- Designed and implemented automated Functional and UI Component Test Library, used by entire team.
- Designed and ran performance tests and authored server reports published to the customers.
- Mentored interns and new-recruits for independently owned modules.

Microsoft

Hyderabad, India

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN (WINDOWS SERVICEABILITY)

May 2011 - July 2011

- Built an automated fuzzing system that was used to fuzz the DNS Cache Interfaces of Windows Server and Client OS.

Research Experience

Language Technologies Institute (CMU)

Pittsburgh, USA

RESEARCH ASSISTANT (ADVISOR: CAROLYN PENSTEIN ROSÈ)

August 2016 - PRESENT

- Understanding the impact of coordination and developer conversation patterns on project success in open-source communities on platforms like GitHub.

Alexa Prize Challenge 2017 (Team - CMUMagnus)

Pittsburgh, USA

OFFICIAL MEMBER (ADVISOR: ALAN BLACK AND CAROLYN PENSTEIN ROSÈ)

November 2016 - August 2017

- Designed and implemented retrieval-based models for opinion-mining and finite-state models for dialog strategies for a multi-turn conversational agent.

Technical Skills

Programming Languages : C/C++(Intermediate), Python(Intermediate), C#(Intermediate),

Java(Beginner), Matlab/Octave(Beginner), R(Beginner)

Deep Learning Libraries : PyTorch(Beginner), DyNet(Beginner)

Database and Indexing Technologies : MongoDB(Intermediate), Lucene(Beginner)

Operating Systems : OSX, Windows, Linux

Publications

- Conference Paper** : Samridhi Choudhary, Christopher Bogart, Aaksha Meghawati, Carolyn Rosé, James D. Herbsleb. *Not Just Who But How: Reconsidering Coordination in Open-Source GitHub Projects*. Under Review at the International Conference of Software Engineering (ICSE 2018) Under Review
- Workshop Paper** : Samridhi Choudhary, Shrimai Prabhumoye, Evangelia Spiliopoulou, Christopher Bogart, Carolyn Rose, Alan Black. *Linguistic Markers of Influence in Informal Interactions*. Second Workshop on NLP and Computational Social Science, ACL 2017 Vancouver, Canada
- Workshop Paper** : Elizabeth K. Bowman, Matt Turek, Paul Tunison, Reid Porter, Steve Thomas, Vadas Gintautas, Peter Shargo, Jessica Lin, Qingzhe Li, Yifeng Gao, Xiaosheng Li, Ranjeev Mittu, Carolyn Penstein Rosé, Keith Maki, Chris Bogart, Samridhi Shree Choudhary. *Advanced text and video analytics for proactive decision making*. SPIE Defense+ Security. International Society for Optics and Photonics, 2017 California, USA

Projects

- OpinionBot: An Intelligent Conversational Agent for Opinion Mining** LTI, CMU
ADVISOR: ALAN BLACK AND ALEXANDER I. RUDNICKY January 2017 - May 2017
- Implemented and deployed an Alexa Skill to fetch diverse and succinct opinions on different topics from the Washington Post Corpus.
- Understanding Structure in Open-Domain Dialog** LTI, CMU
ADVISOR: GRAHAM NEUBIG AND ALAN BLACK January 2017 - May 2017
- Implemented a sequence-to-sequence model with attention to understand the inherent structure of dialog responses for the Ubuntu Dialog Corpus.
- GroupBanker - Android Application to Manage Group Expenses** VIT, Vellore
ADVISOR: VIJAYKUMAR K. November 2011 - July 2012
- Implemented an android application to manage group expenses among a peer group.
- Online Event Registration portal** VIT, Vellore
COLLEGE TECH FEST August 2009
- Developed a web portal for event registration for the university's technical and cultural fest.

Honors & Awards

- 2016-2018 Carnegie Mellon University, USA
- Graduate Research Fellowship** - Covers tuition, fees, conference travel and monthly stipend for the entire course duration.
 - AlexaPrize 2017 Research Stipend** - One of the 12 teams worldwide to be awarded a stipend of \$100,000 to compete in Amazon AlexaPrize.
 - Poster Presentation** - Presented our paper at the NLP+CSS workshop in ACL 2017 at Vancouver.
- 2008-2012 VIT, India
- Outgoing Awards and Gold Medal** - Awarded the *University Gold Medal*, *Best Outgoing Student* and *Ishan Goel Endowment Award* for excellent performance in Computer Science for my undergraduate course.
 - Annual University Scholarship** - Awarded every year through the 4-year course for securing Rank 1 in the Computer Science department.
 - Technical POI** - Lead the technical team for the university's cultural and technical fests.
- 2005-2008 Ranchi, India
- Secured **"State Rank 2"** for *Secondary (95.5%)* and *Senior-Secondary (94.2%)* Board Examinations and was conferred the **CBSE Scholarship** for securing the highest marks in Computer Science.
 - Selected among the **top 50 science students** in the Kharagpur zone to attend a conference at NML (National Metallurgical Laboratory), Jamshedpur.