Saptarshi De

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EDUCATION

University of Houston Houston, TX

B.S (Honors) in Computer Science, Minor in Math and Finance

Academic Excellence Scholar, Dean's List, Distinguished Scholar's list

May 2026 Cum GPA – 3.8

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: C/C++, Python, Java, HTML/CSS, JavaScript **Developer Tools:** MySQL, R/RStudio, Git, Replit, VS Code

Libraries/Frameworks: TensorFlow, ReactJS, NextJS, NodeJS, Numpy, KerasAPI, pandas, matplotlib

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- Data Structures and Algorithms

Operating Systems

- Database Systems

Machine Learning and DS Math

- Discrete Mathematics

- Statistics for the Sciences

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Fellow

July 2024 - present

Headstarter AI

Houston, TX

- Building 5+ AI apps and APIs using NextJS, OpenAI, Pinecone, StripeAPI with 98% accuracy as seen by 1000 users
- Developing projects from design to deployment leading 4+ engineering fellows using MVC design patterns
- Coached by Amazon, Bloomberg and Capital One engineers on **Agile**, CI/CD, Git and microservice patterns

Data Science Research Assistant

July 2024 - present

Honors College, University of Houston

Houston, TX

- Leading research on **AI-driven video analytics**, leveraging **CNNs** and deep learning to **enhance real-time object detection** and activity recognition by 30%, with a 20% reduction in false positives.
- Developing advanced machine learning solutions for **automated surveillance**, improving response times by 50% and **minimizing human intervention** for **enhanced security** and efficiency

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant | C++

Jan 2024 - present

CS Department, University of Houston

Houston, TX

- Enhanced student learning by grading and proctoring for Introduction to C++, with 20% improvement in score
- Conducted weekly office hours, provided personalized assistance to over 200 students, bettering course reviews
- Facilitated 1-1 and group sessions to guide students on homework, labs, and projects helping over 50 students

PROJECTS

SummarizeTube | Python, Google Gemini, Streamlit

Jul 2024

- Boosted video content summarization efficiency by 70% by developing an AI-driven YouTube Transcript Converter with Google Gemini Pro.
- Orchestrated end-to-end development of Streamlit app, optimizing user experience for summarizing transcripts
- Enhanced productivity by 50% through automated synthesis of detailed notes from transcripts using Google Gemini Pro

Sign Language Interpreter App | Hackathon Winner | Python, TensorFlow, React.js, JavaScript, HTML/CSS

Feb 2024

- Built an interactive app that captures real-time video and analyzes ASL gestures through TensorFlow and OpenCV
- Achieved 90% accuracy and enhanced accessibility for the hard-of-hearing community using ReactJS and Python on a team of 4
- Engineered a robust ML pipeline that included data preprocessing and optimization, reducing model training time by 30%

Zoo Database Project | MySQL, Python, Node.js

Aug 2024

- Designing a MySQL database for managing animal records, staff, and transactions, increasing query efficiency by 25%
- Building relational schemas to track ticket sales, donations, and sponsorships, improving financial reporting speed by 30%
- Optimizing queries and creating stored procedures to generate reports on revenue, visitor metrics, and inventory, reducing report generation time

LEADERSHIP

President Aug 2024 - present

Cougars in Data Science, University of Houston

Houston, TX

- Organize and host data science-related workshops in collaboration with faculty for an audience of 70 members enriching their learning experience and fostering collaborative learning
- Enhanced member engagement by 40% through company networking events, social events and resume prep sessions