

SHAGUFTA ANJUM

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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Master of Computer Science (Incoming)

Illinois, USA

Jan 2024 – April 2025

Mahindra University

Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science Engineering

Hyderabad, India

July 2019 – June 2023

Cumulative GPA: 9.1/10, Major GPA: 9.8/10

Coursework: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Big Data, Software Engineering, Database Management Systems, Object-Oriented Programming, Computer Networks, Distributed Systems, Social Computing, Cryptography, Operating Systems, Enterprise Software Architecture, Numerical Methods, Linear Algebra, Statistics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dell Technologies

Bangalore, India

Machine Learning Engineer

July 2024 – present

- Using computer vision to identify improperly aligned or overlapping text on product labels printed for laptop boxes in the Dell manufacturing facilities to help in early diagnosis of the issue.

Software Engineer Co-op

Jan 2023 – June 2023

- Developed a notification management system consisting of a feature-rich dashboard and robust backend APIs to deliver push notifications via a publisher-subscriber model and integrated it with existing systems.

Software Engineer Summer Intern

June 2022 – Aug 2022

- Developed an LSTM model to predict backlogs in the Dell digital supply chain using historical supply chain data. Optimized model parameters to achieve a prediction accuracy of 72% for product backlogs.

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Hyderabad, India

Machine Learning Intern

Sep 2022 – Dec 2022

- Developed software to track customer movement in supermarkets by the unique color profile of each customer via surveillance camera feed.
- Leveraged deep-learning based object tracking, image inpainting and super-resolution techniques to overcome low-image quality and occlusion issues and provide accurate, real-time tracking.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Solving Differential Equations using Physics Informed Neural Networks

June 2023 – Present

- Attempted to establish physics informed neural networks (PINNs) as a valid approach to resolve complex aerodynamic phenomena by approximating solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations using PINNs.
- Modelled a cost function using DE residues to allow the networks to learn the DE solution.
- Selected for the ICETCI 2023 conference.

Multi-Objective Optimal Neural Architecture Search for Autoencoders

Sep 2022 – Feb 2023

- Implemented the Non-Dominated Sorting Differential Evolution (NSDE) algorithm to simultaneously optimize multiple hyperparameters for autoencoder architectures.
- Implemented concurrent task apportioning via parallel programming on hybrid CPU-GPU architecture to speed up the neural network training by 60%.

Assisted-Living Solution for the Elderly

Feb 2022 – Dec 2022

- Designed a product to assist people suffering from vision loss to find items in indoor environments using a wall-mounted camera, object detection software and a voice assistant enabled mobile application.
- Utilized the YOLO algorithm coupled with super resolution imaging to achieve accuracies of 86%.
- Integrated human fall and inactivity detection software.

Low-Level Fuzzy Similarity Based Indian Music Recommendation

March 2022 – Aug 2022

- Employed music information retrieval techniques to extract low-level acoustic features and spectrograms from raw Indian music data.
- Implemented a music recommendation algorithm based on fuzzy clustering of user preferences, incorporating inter and intra genre clustering.

Leveraging Network Similarity Measure for Recommender Systems

June 2021 – March 2022

- Developed a graph-based recommender system for e-commerce products using only local level node similarity measures such as Jaccard index, Sorenson-Dice index, and Hub-promoted index, and demonstrated its effectiveness on the Amazon dataset.
- Published in the ICETCI 2022 conference and selected for oral presentation.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Smart India Hackathon - Winner

Aug 2022

Government of India

- Built a web application that allows users to virtually try on LIDAR-scanned 3-D models of Indian turbans using augmented reality with the aim of promoting Indian cultural attire.
- Secured first place among 10,000 participating teams and received a cash prize of INR 100,000.

Dean's List

2019, 2020, 2021, 2022

Mahindra University

- Awarded the academic excellence scholarship worth INR 100,000 in each year of college for consistently securing a rank among the top 5 in the class.

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, Javascript, Java, C++, Scala, Rust
- **ML and DL:** Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras, OpenCV, Numpy, Pandas, Scikit-learn
- **Database:** MongoDB, MySQL, PostgreSQL
- **Other:** Linux, Shell, Firebase, Git, Apache Spark

EXTRA-CURRICULARS

Machine Learning Team Member

May 2022 – Nov 2022

Autonomous Vehicle Development Group, Mahindra University

Founder and President

Jan 2022 – Nov 2022

Alumni Relations Center, Mahindra University

Executive Board Member

Sep 2021 – Oct 2022

IEEE Student Branch, Mahindra University

Vice President

Jan 2021 – May 2021

Street Cause Hyderabad (NGO)