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WORK _

• Apple Inc.

Cupertino, CA

Senior Software Engineer/Tech Lead

Dec 2016 - present

- July 2021- Present: Leading the effort to build next generation traffic models for Apple. This involves redefining data ingestion, state management, updates all the way to prediction in production in Java/Scala.
- Oct 2020- June 2021: Built from scratch a Python based research framework and data API layer for developing traffic algorithms. This is being used full time by 6 engineers and is expected to support several more projects
- July-Oct 2020- Lead an effort to address major navigation errors due to updates to traffic network such as new road and multimodal traffic flow
- Jan-July 2020- Project Lead in charge of motivating and implementing several concepts of traffic flow theory to traffic and route prediction algorithms
- 2019- Lead an effort for vendor-independence for traffic data in over 150 countries. This involved increasing pipeline and algorithm performance by 10x, reducing model/artifact size by 80% while increasing accuracy
- 2018- Built new evaluation techniques to proactively detect emergent traffic patterns and areas where models performed poorly. The objective was to improve stability of production workflows
- 2017- Worked on a broad range of projects at the foundation of a traffic service- removing noise from probe data, map matching, pipeline design for computing travel time information and more
- Co-supervised two interns and helped them achieve their goals by arranging regular check-ins, assisting in planning and code reviews

OnDeck

Founder Fellow

San Francisco, CA

June 2021 - present

- Built LookAround- a consumer service that allows people to communicate with others around them in real-time.

EDUCATION _

• Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Boston, USA

MS: Interdisciplinary Transportation Engineering

Aug 2015 - Dec 2016

- 100% financial aid, Chair of the Transportation Student Group
- Research Assistant at the Human Mobility and Networks Lab. Publications:
 - * TimeGeo: modeling urban mobility without travel surveys, S. Jiang, Y. Yang, S. Gupta, D. Veneziano, S. Athavale, M. Gonzalez, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, 2017
 - Planning for sustainable cities by estimating building occupancy with mobile phones, E. Barbour, C.C. Davila, S. Gupta, C. Reinhart, J. Kaur, and M.C. Gonzalez, Nature Communications, 2019
- Part of the US Squash- MIT Club Team 4.5 ladder. MIT Outing Club- completed 1-day Presidential Traverse
- Only student to complete program in 3 semesters

• Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Chennai, India

B. Tech. & M. Tech.: Civil Engineering, Infrastructure Planning and Management

July 2010 - May 2015

- Awarded best research project in the Civil Engineering Research Symposium
 - * Data Mining and Modeling for Smart Transit Management, S. Gupta, M. Hickman, K. Srinivasan, Conference on Advanced Systems in Public Transit, Rotterdam, 2015
 - Development and Evaluation of Advanced Traveller Information Systems for Indian Cities, A Case Study in Chennai City, Center of Excellence in Urban Transport, IEEEJ (pending) 2015
 - Data mining using Smart Cards from Brisbane- conference presentation, First International Workshop on Utilizing Transit Smart Card Data for Service Planning (now TransitData), Gifu, Japan
- Scholarship for exchange semester at Concordia University, Montreal.
- Entrepreneurship: Raised \$10,000 to create a campus-wide social network. Worked as the Co-founder and President for over a year. Lead a team of 5 engineers and got over 1,000 students to sign up

VOLUNTEERING _

- San Francisco food bank: Packaging food for COVID-19 relief
- Open Street Maps- mapping Africa and other sparsely mapped places, particularly those impacted by natural disasters. Summer Intern at Institute for Transportation and Development Policy, Chennai May 2012 - July 2012
- Summer Intern at Chennai City Connect, May 2013 July 2013

OTHERS

- GMAT 750/800 (98th percentile)
- Awarded (declined) A* India Youth Scholarship by Ministry of Education, Singapore for 4 years of funded high-school education

COURSE WORK

- Machine Learning (Coursera)- Neural networks- CNN and RNNs, Random Forests, Logistic Regression, SVMs
- Microeconomics, Transportation demand and economics- Theory of the firm, Cost function, Pricing, Revenue Management, logit, probit and nested logit modeling
- Theory of Complex Networks, traditional Network Analysis- Shortest path, Minimum Cost, Maximum Flow problems