# Surya Teja Devarakonda

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## Education

Univ. of Massachusetts Amherst M.S. in Computer Science Expected May 2019 Cum. GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

IIT Hyderabad, India B.Tech. in Electrical Engineering (Honors) Grad. August 2017 Cum. GPA: 3.41 / 4.0

### Skills

### **Programming**

Computer Languages:
C • C++ • Java
Scripting Languages:
Python • MATLAB • R • Shell
Library Familiarity:
Keras • Tensorflow • PyTorch • OpenCV
• Scikit-learn
Database Familiarity:
SQL

## Coursework

#### Graduate

Probabilistic Graphical Models Neural Networks: A Modern Introduction Reinforcement Learning Algorithms in Data Science

#### Undergraduate

Pattern Recognition & Machine Learning Data Intelligence Image and Video Processing Introduction to Database systems Monte Carlo Estimation using Bayesian Networks Data Science for Internet of Things

## Links

LinkedIn: linkedin.com/in/suryatejad Github: https://github.com/suryatejadev

## Experience

### **GE** Healthcare

Computer Vision Intern | June 2018 - August 2018

- Developing a classifier to predict anterior-posterior or posterior-anterior nature of X-Ray images.
- Developing deep learning models including UNets, DenseNets and Conditional-GANs for bone suppression in single energy Chest X-Ray images.

### **IISc Bangalore Spectrum Lab**

Computer Vision Research Intern | May 2016 - July 2016

- Worked on image segmentation for abnormality detection in endoscopy images.
- Developed convolution neural network models (CNNs), while dealing with challenges like data insufficiency, class imbalance, etc.
- Achieved a considerable improvement over the state of the art, with 80% Area under ROC Curve. Conference paper accepted at ISBI, 2017.

# **Projects**

# Ultrasound Image Segmentation and Classification of Thyroid Nodules January 2018 – May 2018

- Working on a computer vision problem of image segmentation for detecting and characterizing thyroid nodules from ultrasound images using the TI-RADS ultrasound features.
- Developed image segmentation architectures using U-Nets, densenets, and dilated convolutions and achieved an average dice coefficient of 85%.
- In collaboration with the MGH/MIT Center for Ultrasound Research and Translation (CURT) lab at the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), Boston.

# Genetic Mutation Classification using Natural Language Processing for Cancer Treatment September 2017 – December 2017

- Developed a multi-class classifier to predict cancer types of genetic mutations using text based clinical evidence, which in the form of relevant conference papers.
- Employed Natural Language Processing techniques like Word2Vec, Doc2Vec, etc., for training word embeddings and deep learning techniques like 1D CNNs, LSTMs, etc for classification.

# Medication Recommendation System using Reinforcement Learning September 2017 – December 2017

- Developed a recommendation system for backpain medication using a weighted directional graph of relations between multiple causes, effects and medications.
- Modeled the graph as a Markov decision process and used reinforcement learning techniques like SARSA and Q-Learning for predicting optimal medication.

## **Publications**

- S. T. Devarakonda, K. K. Vupparaboina, A. Richhariya, J. Chhablani, and S. Jana, "Automated Detection of Retinal Disorders from OCT Images using Artificial Neural Network" in Proceedings of  $13^{th}$  International IEEE India Conference (INDICON), 2016
- A. K. Sekuboyina, S. T. Devarakonda, and C. S. Seelamantula, "A Convolutional Neural Network approach for Abnormality Detection in Wireless Capsule Endoscopy" in Proceedings of IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI), 2017