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EDUCATION

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA

December, 2016

Masters in Computer Science

Courses: Applied Natural Language Processing, Artificial Intelligence.

Information Retrieval and Web Search Engines, Analysis of Algorithms GPA- 3.78/4

M. S. Ramaiah Institute of Technology, Bengaluru, India

Bachelor of Engineering, Computer Science Engineering, GPA- 8.92/10

June 2013

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages Java, Python

Web JavaScript, HTML5, CSS3, Angular

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Expedia Inc.Itinerary Team (*Software Development Engineer*)

Seattle, USA 2017- Present

- Designed and developed MVC application using spring for providing customer with upgrades offers based on their current booking. Implemented a service to listen to a kafka queue and dispatch email notifications to the customer about upgrade offers.
- Implemented a distributed cache in cloud using AWS that reduced the object load time in production by 70%. The cache was updated by a RESTful service to maintain data parity.
- Developed an internal tool to look up and perform CRUD operations on objects in cache building the backend API in Spring Boot and frontend using Bootstrap, JS, jQuery, AJAX.

SAP Labs Pvt. Ltd

Cloud and Mobile Platform Team (Associate Software Developer)

Bangalore, India
2013-2015

- Developed a framework and widget factory utility for an android application, the framework would render UI based on a configuration XML document fetched from the client.
 - Developed new features such as Calendar view, Google maps integration and Offline mode for saving customer data when not connected to the internet using SQLite database which was synced with the backed server once the device was online.
- Enhanced the performance of the application by reducing the DB query time by implementing new flags in database tables based on region and roles.

Center for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics, DRDO

Application Development Intern

Bangalore, India Summer 2013

Smart Assistance for Mobile Soldiers

• Developed an Android application that provided a virtual view of popular monuments in India with voice based navigation to assist the armed forces during terror attacks.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

- Comment Summarization for Social Media Post (Python) Developed a system to generate summary
 by selecting the most representative comments from a large collection of user-contributed comments.
 Applied various techniques such as topic clustering based on LDA and ranking comments using
 precedence based ranking to identify the important and informative comments within each cluster.
- **G Search (Solr, PHP, JavaScript)** A search engine for the USC website by crawling web pages using crawler4j and indexing them using Apache Solr. Used Pagerank and Lucene for ranking the indexed web pages. The search engine had features such as spell corrector and auto suggest.
- Hotel Review Classifier (Pyhton) A naïve Bayes Classifier to identify a given hotel reviews to be
 either truthful or deceptive and Positive and negative by generating model from analyzing a corpus of
 data.
- The Game of Mancala (Java) A Game Playing Agent to determine the next best move for a given board state using various algorithms such as MinMax and alpha beta pruning.
- Weather Forecast (JavaScript/PHP) A Web application to retrieve the weather forecast given a location, the front end was developed using HTML5, CSS3 and Bootstrap for responsive design JavaScript for client side and PHP for server side scripting, the application was hosted on Amazon AWS.
- Part of Speech Tagger (Python) Designed a part-of-speech tagger for Catalan using Hidden Markov Model. The tagger tags the data based on its learning from analyzing the training data.
- Developed an Inference Engine (python) in First Order Language used for Data Mining to determine whether a given statement can be inferred from a given set of statement using Backward Chaining.