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#### Education

# **Masters in Computer Science**

## Johns Hopkins University

Expected: May 2020

- Research Assistant (Spring '19), Prof. Joshua Vogelstein, Research area: Stacked Convolutional Random Forests.
- Teaching Assistant (Fall '18) for Object-Oriented Software Engineering.
- Coursework: AI, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Parallel Programming, Neuro Data Design (CGPA: 3.95/4.0).

#### **Bachelors in Computer Science**

#### **Anna University**

May 2016

• Thesis: Automated Scenario Description for Images - built an image captioning algorithm using deep learning.

#### Skills

- Languages: Python, Java, R, C, C++
- Libraries: PyTorch, Caffe, Keras, Scikit-Learn, OpenCV, NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib, Pandas, Gensim, NLTK, Flask, Dash
- Others: AWS, Docker, DynamoDB, Elasticsearch, Cython, Git, Unix, DevOps

## Experience

SDE Intern Amazon (AWS)

Jun 2019 - Aug 2019

HPC Performance Benchmarking Framework

Manager: Linda Hedges (Principal SDM)

- Architected and built an extensible end-to-end automated framework that creates HPC clusters globally across all 50 AWS availability zones; installs and runs various performance benchmarks; and retrieves, parses, stores, searches and visualizes the metrics over time, via an interactive dashboard. This uncovered significant performance degrades in specific AZs.
- Helped set up the Infosphere team in the High-Performance Computing organization, being the first-ever member.

## **Software Engineer**

#### **Qube Cinema Technologies**

Jun 2016 – May 2018

iCount & Dispatcher

Manager: Rajesh Ramachandran (CTO)

- Designed and developed a 99% accurate, deep-learned, scalable viewer-demographics mining engine, using convolutional neural networks to extract the count, age, & gender of the movie watchers from low-light images of a theatre's auditorium.
- Architected and built a real-time resource allocation and optimization algorithm for making logistical business decisions and maximizing profits intelligently, based on minimum cost flow (transportation) problem and pruned search trees.

## Research Assistant

## **Institute of Mathematical Sciences**

Dec 2015 - Dec 2017

Optical Character Recognition on Indus Scripts

Advisor: Prof. Ronojoy Adhikari

- Architected and implemented a deep-learned *optical character recognition engine* that can recognize the 417+ Indus script symbols from images of ancient Harappan civilization artifacts. The symbol classification module has an accuracy of 92%.
- Published this work as a research paper titled "Deep Learning the Indus Script". News articles covering this work were published in The Verge, The Hindu, Times of India, and SBS Radio Australia.

# **Data Scientist - Intern**

# Serendio Inc.

May 2015 - Jul 2015

DisKoveror - Text Analytics

Manager: Ravi Condamoor (CEO)

- Implemented a *universal multi-domain sentiment scorer* for text, that supports 36 domains and has an accuracy of 90%.
- Engineered a topic modeling algorithm using hierarchical k-means and semantic word clusters, with an accuracy of 80%.

# **Research Intern**

## **Carnegie Mellon University**

Nov 2014 - Dec 2014

Text-based Emotion Recognition System

Advisors: Prof. Bhiksha Raj & Prof. Rita Singh

• Built a 90.9% accurate emotion classifier (7 classes) for text, using histograms built over word2vec word/phrase clusters.

#### **Projects**

- *mgcpy*: A comprehensive high-dimensional independence and k-sample testing Python package. The code is being merged into *SciPy* and the *research paper* has been submitted to the Journal of Statistical Software.
- Distributed Panorama Construction from High-Resolution UAV Images Using Public Compute Nodes, Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), Smart India Hackathon 2018. Won the 1st place in this nation-wide hackathon.
- Universally Compatible and Accessible, Software Controlled, Expandable Home Automation Systems: Paper: "Home Automation Systems A Study" in IJCA (cited 41 times). Indian Patent Ref. ID: 5729/CHE/2015.

#### Leadership & Achievements

- Merit Scholarship (Full), for Excellence in Academics, SSN College of Engineering, Anna University.
- Government of India, Industry Mentor, for 2 consecutive years at the Smart India Hackathon (world's largest).
- Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), Chairman (2015-16), Treasurer & Tech Lead (2014-15), SSN CE.