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Education

UC San Diego – MS in Computer Science, (GPA – 3.67)

(Sep '16 - Dec '17)

- O Courses Algorithms, Database, ML, Neural Networks, Advanced Analytics, Graph Mining, Computer Architecture, Recommender Systems, Automated Reasoning in AI, Programming Languages
- oTata Scholar Awarded Scholarship for higher education among 50000 applicants in 2016.

Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee - B. Tech, Electrical Engineering, (CGPA - 8.8/10)

(Jul '10 – May '14)

- Courses Data Structures and Algorithms, Discrete Structures, Image Processing, Cryptography
- Secured JEE (Joint Entrance Examination) Rank 1601 among 460,000 candidates in 2010

Work Experience

Twitter, Intern - Recommendation

(Jun'17-present)

• Worked on detecting the Topics of interest for the users to recommend tweets. **Scala, Scalding, Pants, Hadoop** <u>Impact</u>: Received great precision upto 85% for recommending Hashtags to users.

Oracle, Software Developer

(Jun '14 – Aug '16)

- Built a tool called Log Miner to predict the cause of logged errors using Machine Learning algorithms. Got featured in Oracle Social Network for leveraging IEEE research Java, KNN and decision trees.
 Impact: Achieved an accuracy of 90%, significantly reducing the time for parsing logs and debugging.
- O Wrote Life Cycle Management Read APIs using Introspection and Topology manager APIs Java

Hewlett Packard Education Services, Brand Ambassador, Intern

(Jun '13 - Jul '13 & May '12 - Jun '12)

- O Developed a website prototype for airline reservation. The task was to implement and test a scheduler for flights from different aerodromes preventing clashes **Asp.Net, C#, SQL Server**
- O Built a computer controlled robot with an ability to never fall off the table Atmega 16 AVR, IR Sensors.

Technical Skills

Languages/Framework - Java, Ocaml, Python, Prolog, Scala, Scalding, C++, MySQL, Android, XML, HTML, CSS, Junit, C#

Platform/Software/Tools – Linux, MacOS, Pants, Hadoop, Matlab, Antlr4, SQL Server, Android Studio, ANT, Gradle, OpenCV, Git

Projects and Research

SAT Solver (Dec '17)

O Wrote a custom SAT Solver by implementing DPLL and CDCL algorithms. [Link]

Stance Detection on News Articles

(Dec '17)

• Worked on aligning headlines and articles by extracting textual and similarity based features. [Report] Impact: Achieved 92% accuracy with a SVM classifier and a Multi Layered Perceptron.

Sign and Link Prediction on Signed Social Networks - Graph Mining

(June '17)

O Built models and extracted features such as Jaccard's Similarity, Social Imbalance, User's reputation, Community Detection and Restricted Boltzmann Machines on Slashdot Dataset. [Report] ML - Python Impact: Achieved 91 % F1 score for link prediction and 85.9 % for sign prediction accuracy.

Capacitive fabric touch controlled Sphero SPRK+ - Healthcare Robotics

(June '17)

O Built a system to assist growth of infants with hardware restrictions. Kids with hardware restrictions may face flat head syndrome if they do not receive plenty tummy time. This system acts as a playmat for them and captures their attention preventing this. [Demo] [Demo] [Report] [Code] Java, Android, Arduino

Branch Predictor – Computer Architecture

(June '17)

Created a Tournament Predictor with competing perceptron and local predictors. C
 Impact: Achieved 96% prediction accuracy and secured 7th rank among 130 in the class.

Portability Analysis, Text to image Synthesis using GANs

(March '17)

Used a GAN model to generate artificial flower images from Flower Dataset & number images from MNIST & hand-crafted Dataset – Python, Tensorflow. Tested our hypothesis that GAN is generalizable and portable to other datasets. [Report]

Improving Recall using features of CNN

(March '17)

• Improved Recall of image similarity search using internal representations of CNNs-**Python, Matlab.** [Survey] Impact: Improved the average recall from 0.56 to 0.79 using CNN features.

XQuery Processor (March '17)

O Created and optimized XQuery Processor for executing Xpath 2.0 expressions. – Antlr 4, Java, XML [Link]

Generating Music using RNNs, Transfer Learning using VGG16 – CNN

(Feb '17)

- O Generated melodious music on an RNN model trained on text in ABC notation-Python [Report]
- Trained just the last softmax layer on Caltech 256 and utilized the existing VGG16 model parameters. [Report]

Android Applications

Dec '16

- Created the following Android apps and optimized the speed of background tasks making the interface more User friendly and Interactive.
 - Weather App: to display weather forecast for preferred location using Udacity API [Link]
 - Hydration Reminder: to promote timely drinking of water by notifying user every 30 min. while charging. [Link]
 - Music Visualizer: to display the higher, middle and lower range of frequencies of a song. [Link]

Designing & Building Humanoid Robot (Bachelor's Thesis)

(Aug '13- Mar '14)

O Built a humanoid robot having – Locomotion on Wheels, Hand Shake and Face Tracking –DC Motors (wheels) and Servo Motors (face). Haar Cascade Classifiers (Open CV), Arduino Uno – Atmega 16 AVR. [Report] [Videos] Impact: Achieved a 95% facial distinction while ensuring security of the lab.

One Eyed Robot, Tech Fest Shristi

(Jul '13 - Aug '13)

• Implemented facial recognition for passersby on a Webcam mounted on two servo motors tracking the face of human. Used **OpenCV** and **Arduino Uno** for controlled motion of webcam in the 3 degrees of freedom.