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## **EDUCATION**

• The Pennsylvania State University

Master of Science, Computer Science and Engineering

- Thesis: "Mitigating Unfairness in Deep Learning"

• Manipal Institute of Technology (MIT), Manipal

Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science and Engineering

- Minor in Big Data.

July 2016 - July 2020

Aug 2022 - May 2024

CGPA: 8.71/10

CGPA: 3.95/4

## ACADEMIC AND WORK EXPERIENCE

### The Pennsylvania State University

Graduate Research Assistant

Jan 2023 - July 2023 University Park, PA, USA

- Working on mitigating unfairness in deep learning models. Developed a novel algorithm to "repair" neurons in fully-connected neural networks to improve fairness.
- Worked on the NLP team of *EvoquerBOT* for the Amazon Alexa Prize Taskbot Challenge.
- Developed language models and data pre-processing techniques for conversational task assistants.
- Technologies used: Python, PyTorch, Numpy, Huggingface, NLTK, Spacy

# • Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Research

Researcher, Cybersecurity and Privacy

Sept 2020 - June 2022

Bangalore, India

- Worked on anomaly and insider threat detection using ML. Developed a novel framework to detect suspicious IPs in an enterprise from network logs using autoencoders.
- Worked on privacy-preserving ML and developed a single-round fault-tolerant federated learning framework with differential privacy guarantees.
- Technologies used: C/C++, Python, GMP, OpenSSL, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Eigen

# Citrix R&D

Jan 2020 - June 2020

Software Engineer Intern, Citrix Analytics for Security (CAS)

Bangalore, India

- Worked as a full-stack developer in the App Platform team of Citrix Analytics for Security (CAS).
- Developed interactive dashboards for analyzing sensitive data to identify malicious user behavior in an enterprise.
- Developed and implemented a trust service to validate API calls to prevent malicious and unauthorized requests to.
- Technologies used: Java, Javascript, Spring, React.js, GraphQL, Node.js, Jenkins

# • Nanyang Technological University (NTU)

Dec 2019 Singapore

Developed algorithms and tools to generate optimized ASIC implementations of block ciphers.

- Generated the best-known implementation of the AES MixColumn matrix using 12 XOR2 and 47 XOR3 gates.
- Technologies used: Gurobi, SageMath, C/C++, Python

#### • TCS Research

Research Intern

May 2019 - July 2019

Research Intern, Cybersecurity and Privacy

Hyderabad, India

- Worked on explainable artificial intelligence and defenses against white-box adversarial attacks.
- Developed an algorithm using denoising autoencoders to remove adversarial noise added to RGB images.
- Proposed algorithm was 86% effective in removing adversarial noise added to ResNet-based CNNs.
- Technologies used: Python, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Numpy, OpenCV

# • Tiny Banyan Technologies

Feb 2019 - May 2019

Machine Learning Intern

Remote

- Developed deep learning models to detect humans and firearms from CCTV footage.

- Worked on all stages of the ML lifecycle, starting from data collection, labeling, analysis, model design, and training.
- Technologies used: Python, Tensorflow, Numpy, OpenCV

#### • Indian Statistical Institute

May 2018 - July 2018

Summer Scholar

Kolkata, India

- Worked on image processing and computer vision for human detection from live video feeds.
- Developed an algorithm to estimate the 3-D coordinates of a human in real-time using a single camera setup.
- Technologies used: C++, OpenCV, Eigen

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

• New Results on Machine Learning-Based Distinguishers

IEEE Access, 2023

Anubhab Baksi, Jakub Breier, Vishnu Asutosh Dasu, Xiaolu Hou, Hyunji Kim, Hwajeong Seo

• PROV-FL: Privacy-preserving Round Optimal Verifiable Federated Learning
15th ACM Workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Security, ACM CCS, 2022

Vishnu Asutosh Dasu, Sumanta Sarkar, Kalikinkar Mandal

- Side Channel Attack On Stream Ciphers: A Three-Step Approach To State/Key Recovery IACR Transactions on Cryptographic Hardware and Embedded Systems (TCHES), 2022
  Satyam Kumar, Vishnu Asutosh Dasu, Anubhab Baksi, Santanu Sarkar, Dirmanto Jap, Jakub Breier, Shivam Bhasin
- [Re] GANSpace: Discovering Interpretable GAN Controls
  ReScience C, 2022

Vishnu Asutosh Dasu, Midhush Manohar T.K.

• Three Input Exclusive-OR Gate Support For Boyar-Peralta's Algorithm
22nd International Conference on Cryptology in India (Indocrypt), 2021

Anubhab Baksi, Vishnu Asutosh Dasu, Banashri Karmakar, Anupam Chattopadhyay, Takanori Isobe
• LIGHTER-R: Optimized Reversible Circuit Implementation For SBoxes

32nd IEEE International System-on-Chip Conference (SOCC), 2019

Vishnu Asutosh Dasu, Anubhab Baksi, Sumanta Sarkar, Anupam Chattopadhyay

### **SKILLS**

- Beginner: Go, Rust, Swift, iOS Development, Android Development
- Intermediate: C++, Java, Javascript, HTML, Cryptography, SQL, Web Development, Computer Vision, Image Processing, Natural Language Processing, Robotics, ROS, Git, Linux
- Advanced: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Trustworthy ML, Python, C, LATEX, Security, Privacy

#### **SERVICE**

• Reviewer, ReScience

August 2022 - Present

# AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- TCS Citation Award (3× recipient): Received the TCS Citation Award and appreciation from the Chief Technical Officer and Head of TCS Research thrice for outstanding contribution to the organization.
- Best Project Award: Received the Best Project Award during the Fifth Summer School on Computer Vision, Graphics and Image Processing, Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) Kolkata.
- **IGVC**: Placed  $2^{nd}$  in the Interoperability Profiles Challenge and  $9^{th}$  overall at *Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition (IGVC)* 2018. Second-best among all teams from India.
- ACM ICPC Regionals: Represented MIT Manipal at the 2017 ACM ICPC Asia Regional Contest.
- DAGsHub Award: Received a \$500 award from DAGsHub for completing the ML Reproducibility Challenge Spring 2021.