# RAGHAVENDRA VEDULA

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Neural networks and deep learning, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Computer Vision and image analysis, and Human-Computer-Interaction (HCI)

#### EDUCATION

### Bachelor of Technology with Honors — Computer Science and Engineering

College of Engineering and Technology Bhubaneswar, India

Expected 2019

• Top 10% of the class with a GPA of 8.82 (after 6 semesters)

# Higher Secondary — Central Board of Secondary Education

Kendriya Vidyalaya Khurda Road Khurda Road. India

Summer 2015

- Topper of the Batch with 93.80%
- Received Rotary Club's Meritorious Award for being the topper

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Research Intern — Escorts Group

May 2017 to Aug 2018

# Computer Vision Assisted Autonomous Weeding for Cabbage

Supervisor: Mr. Nijagun Hiremath, DGM, Escorts Ltd

- Designed and developed a table-top model to simulate the autonomous weeding process.
- $\bullet$  Seed funded 2000 USD from Escorts Group to facilitate research.

#### Research Assistant

Sept 2018 to Present

# Plant Sustainability Enhancement

Supervisor: Prof. Mihir Narayan Mohanty, Dept. of ECE, ITER, SOA University

- Developed a drone based plant health monitoring system for remotely monitoring the plant health and receiving the on-site data.
- Currently working on automatic image analysis of the plant data for health monitoring

# Work Experience

#### Google Code-in 2018 — Mentor at AOSSIE

Oct 2018 - Dec 2018

- Mentored developers of age 13-17 years for working on CarbonFootrpint API.
- Helped the young developers with their issues on writing code in JavaScript, Node.js, React, and MongoDB

# Google Summer of Code 2018 — Participant with AOSSIE May 2018 - August 2018

- Designed and developed an API Explorer page for CarbonFootprint-API
- Created a portal for the suggestion of carbon emission data and worked on the back-end approval and addition into the existing database of the suggested data.
- Created an npm package for the CarbonFootprint-API for accessing the carbon emission data.
- Standardized the CarbonFootprint-API by integrating Swagger.
- Integrated JEST testing in the entire code base.

### Mytrah Energy, Hyderabad — Data Engineering Intern Dec 2017 - Jan 2018

- Enhanced the process of storing the data by shifting it to the cloud based AWS S3 storage and automated this process by using AWS Lambda and python scripts.
- Created an SQL IDE for querying the data using React JS and AWS Athena.
- Developed a dashboard using front-end frameworks like React JS for data visualization.

# Indian Railways, Bhubaneswar — Data Analytics Intern — June 2017 - July 2017

- Analyzed the data of employees working in Indian Railways by visualizing the data using Python based libraries like Pandas, Matplotlib etc.
- Optimized the salaries of employees using the analyzed data by calculating the ratio of the total revenue generated to the number of passengers travelling.

# **Lecturenotes.in**, **Bhubaneswar** — **Software Engineering Intern** May 2017 - June 2017

- Designed a search engine using Apache SOLR and Node.js for this class notes based start-up.
- Implemented dependency injection using Electrolyte (Lightweight Inversion of Control (IoC) container for Node.js) and added Full-text search feature along with suggestions.
- Validated input strings using regular expressions.
- Integrated an error logging system with sentry (open source error tracking) integration.

#### Publications

- Raghavendra Vedula, et al., "Computer Vision Assisted Autonomous Intra Row Weeder", International Conference on Information Technology (ICIT), 2018 (Accepted)
- Raghavendra Vedula, Mihir Narayan Mohanty, et al., "Plant Sustainability Monitoring Using Unmanned Aerial Vehicle", International Conference on Communication Computing Control and Devices, 2018 (Accepted)
- Raghavendra Vedula, Meenakshi Pant "Word processing in the brain using a brainwave sensor", (In preparation)

#### AWARDS

#### ISTE Technical Symposium CET Bhubaneswar Chapter March 2018

- $\bullet\,$  Best paper award among 40 papers from participants from colleges all over the state.
- Received a cash prize of 125 USD.

### Meritorious Awards

 Received awards from Rotary Club, Indian Railways for being the topper in high school.

### University Service

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- Conducted Introductory classes for freshmen/sophomore year students on Linux, JavaScript, Python, computer vision and basic algebra.
- Organized sessions and hackathons to promote emerging practices and technologies in computer science.

### Senior Manager — ED-Cell, CET Bhubaneswar Nov 2015 - Present

- Conducted various sessions on Group Discussion, Debates, brainstorming start-up ideas.
- Served as the manager of the promotions department during college fests.
- Served as the manager of the sponsorship management team during college fests.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

### Rajya Puraskar Scout — Bharat Scouts and Guides Aug 2005 - Aug 2015

- Participated in various state level and national level camps organized by Bharat Scouts and Guides.
- Worked for relief teams and disaster management squads during *Cyclone Hudhud* which affected coastal regions of Odisha.
- Organized blood donation camps and several awareness programs like AIDS awareness,
  Pulse Polio, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Yojna, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan in the underprivileged areas of Odisha.
- Served as a volunteer in Puri's Rath Yatra Festival (Biggest chariot festival in the country)

# Volunteer — Google Developer Group, Bhubaneswar — Sept 2015 - Present

- Organized several workshops in the field of web-development, UI/UX design and basics of machine learning for the students of different colleges in the state.
- Represented the organization as a speaker to present projects and innovations undertaken by the community members.

# Volunteer — Microsoft Developers Community, Bhubaneswar — Sept 2017 - Present

• Attended various bootcamps (Azure bootcamp), participated in IoT (Internet of things) workshops and attended community seminars on deep learning and artificial intelligence.

#### PROJECTS

# Word processing in the brain using brainwave sensor (Currently Working)

- Detecting the frequency of certain words using a deep learning model in the brain for detecting the word processing.
- Using a brainwave sensor for getting the frequency graph and planning to work with fMRI scan for detecting the word processing in the brain.

# Plant Sustainability Enhancement — Drone based plant health monitoring system

- Drone, controlled through a remote server, collects the data (images through the attached camera and other data from the on-site sensors through Xbee) from an area of plantation and sends it to the server for health monitoring.
- Image processing for plant health monitoring and providing the data to the public for voluntary service.

# Deep Learning Based Smart Waste Management System

- Deep learning based waste management system for separating the bio-degradable and non-biodegradable waste.
- Robot with an arm, to pick and separate the garbage, along with a camera connected to the server for real time image processing.

#### Route optimization and engine statistics monitoring for the buses of CET, Bhubaneswar

- Designed and developed a route optimization technique for real time route optimization of the buses using digital counters and GPS.
- Used Node.js, Socket.io, Redis for the website and Cassandra for data analysis.

#### CET Dimensions — ERP website of CET, Bhubaneswar

- Designed and developed a Node.js based ERP website for CET, Bhubaneswar.
- Internal marks, results, attendance and holidays are features of the website.

# SKILLS AND COMMUNICATION

#### Technical Skills

- Programming Languages: C, C++, Python3, JavaScript, BASH, Java
- Web development: HTML, CSS, JQuery, Express Framework, Node.js, Socket.IO, Flask, React JS, React Native
- Work Tools and Frameworks: Tensorflow, Scikit-Learn, LATEX, Excel, Git
- Databases: MongoDB, MySQL, Redis , Cassandra, Postgres

#### **Communication Skills**

- Proficient in English, Hindi, Odia, and Telugu (Native).
- Full Working Proficiency: English, Hindi

# RELEVANT ACADEMIC COURSEWORK

#### **Machine Learning**

 Artificial Intelligence (Honors<sup>1</sup>), Data Analytics (Honors<sup>1</sup>), Digital Image Processing, Soft Computing <sup>2</sup>

#### Mathematics

• Calculus, Linear Algebra, Discrete Mathematics, Computational Numbers Theory <sup>2</sup>

#### Computer Science

• Data Structures and Algorithms, Discrete Structures, Logic in Computer Science, Compilers, Operating Systems, Databases, Automata Theory, Computer Architecture

#### Online courses

 Neural Networks and Deep Learning; Improving Deep Neural Networks: Hyperparameter tuning, Regularization and Optimization; Sequence Modes; Convolution Neural Networks; Structuring Machine Learning Projects; Mathematics for Machine Learning: PCA (Imperial College of London); Mathematics for machine Learning: Linear Algebra (Imperial College of London) on Coursera

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Honors subjects are not mentioned in the transcript and a separate marksheet will be awarded after the completion of degree

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  to be completed by December 2018