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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Texas at Austin

2019-

PhD Computational Linguistics

GPA:3.9/4

University of Rochester

2017-2019

MS Computational Linguistics

GPA:3.75/4

Thesis: Decomposing Generalization | Advisor: Prof. Aaron Steven White

Indian Institute of Technology Madras

2012-2017

Dual Degree(B. Tech & M. Tech) Biological Engineering

GPA:8.68/10

Thesis: Direction Maps in the Whisker Barrel Cortex | Advisor: Prof. Srinivasa Chakravarthy

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Amazon Alexa Applied Scientist Intern

Summer 2021

Unsupervised Drift detection - NLP, NLU

VIRTUA

Implemented an unsupervised method for detecting data drift in NLU models, and validated the approach on simulated and real-world drift. Received return internship offer for summer 2022.

## **SELECT PAPERS**

Govindarajan, V. S., B. T. Chen, R. Warholic, K. Erk & J. J. Li. 2020a. Help! Need Advice on Identifying Advice. In *Proceedings of The 2020 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*.

Govindarajan, V., B. V. Durme & A. S. White. 2019. Decomposing Generalization: Models of Generic, Habitual, and Episodic Statements. *Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics* 7. 501–517.

### **SKILLS**

Programming Languages Python, Swift, Javascript, R, MATLAB, LISP, C, C++
Tools & Frameworks pyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Huggingface Transformers, SciPy, Pandas, nltk, Docker, Languages, Lunix, SwiftUI, Combine, CoreML
Languages English(native), Tamil(native), Hindi(intermediate)

## **APPS**

**DeTeXt**: An open source app for iOS, iPadOS and macOS that predicts the best LaTeX commands corresponding to hand-drawn symbols using deep neural networks. Built using SwiftUI, Combine, PencilKit and CoreML. 4000+ users.