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# Education

**Purdue University** | Master of Science - Aeronautics and Astronautics Engineering

Extra Curricular Work: Aerodynamics Team Member - Purdue Electric Racing | % Blog Link

2021 - Present

West Lafavette, USA

**SRM University** | Bachelor of Technology - Mechanical Engineering

Extra Curricular Work: Design Lead and Team Vice Captain for collegiate FSAE Team

Chennai, IN 2016-2020

#### **Skills**

Programming: C++, Python, MATLAB, SQL, R, Lua, HTML, CSS, Javascript, LATEX

Frameworks/Libraries: Tensorflow/Keras, PyTorch, Scikit-Learn, Numpy, Eigen, openCV, Matplotlib, Pandas, Dask, Plotly, Folium, Flask Developer Tools: AWS, GCP, Git, Vim, Linux, openMPI, CMake, Meson, ROS, Gazebo, Docker, Kubernetes, Confluence, Jira

# **Experience**

# Data Science Research Team Lead | The Purdue Data Mine + John Deere

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: AWS, Python, SQL, Spark, ARCGIS, Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Geospatial Data Analysis

Aug 2022 - Present

- Leading a team of 20 students as the Project Manager and Technical Lead, working as a link between John Deere's team and the Data Mine's Team. Leveraging Agile Methodology for project management and serving as one of the team's two Scrum Masters.
- Developing an automated, large scale system for the Pheasant and Quail Foundation(PQF) by taking raster satellite data as input and using machine learning models to predict land candidates that are ideal for wildlife conservation use.

### Data Scientist | Dauch Center for the Management of Manufacturing Enterprises + Wabash National

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: Python, Scikit-learn, Pandas, Dask, Parquet, Plotly, Folium, Geopy, Telematics

Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

- Performed a univariate exploratory data analysis to study sensor ping frequency for Wabash's nationwide fleet of trucks.
- Achieved a 60× speed improvement and an 85% storage use reduction by implementing a parallelized data ingestion and cleaning pipeline to handle multi-year raw Telematics data of the order of 100GB, using Python and Dask. Wrote documentation on the dataset.
- Built Python software to visualize high-traffic trucking hubs across North America using yearly fleet GPS data as input and employing the Mini-Batch K-Means clustering algorithm. Identified and presented business expansion strategies based on the data analysis.

### **Projects**

#### Object tracking and following Robot in Gazebo | G Github Link

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: Python, ROS, OpenCV, Linux, Computer Vision

Apr 2022

- Computed distance to the object by performing image masking on a real time RGB video feed and calculating it's centroid.
- Developed a proportional velocity controller to check for the object in robot's field of view before following it.

## Monocular Vision based Navigation of a 4-wheeled robot | Github Link

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: Python, C++, CMake, Computer Vision, OpenCV, ROS, Raspberry Pi, L293D driver board

Mar 2022 - Apr 2022

- Calibrated a monocular camera interfaced with a Raspberry Pi acting as the vision system for a 4 wheeled DC Motor driven robot. Performed 3D localization of the robot in the environment using the Fiducials Robot Operating System (ROS) package.
- Built a PID controller based motion algorithm to navigate the robot towards an Aruco marker placed in the environment.
- Developed a line following mechanism by interfacing IR sensors to the robot as a fallback in case the vision system fails.

### Image Super-Resolution using a GAN with a Perceptual Loss Function | Q Github Link

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: Python, Tensorflow/Keras, Matplotlib, Numpy, Pillow

Aug 2021 - Dec 2021

- Implemented SRGAN, based on the ResNet architecture (16 Residual Blocks with skip connections), with a perceptual loss function that uses high level feature maps of the VGG network
- Trained the neural network for 50,000 steps on the DIV2K data set and visualized the 4× upsampled images using matplotlib

#### CNN Autoencoder for Image Denoising | Github Link

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: Python, Pytorch, Deep Learning, MNIST

Oct 2021

- Performed data augmentation on the MNIST dataset by adding a Gaussian Noise with  $\mu = 0$  and  $\sigma = 0.5$
- Built a Convolutional Neural Network based autoencoder model to remove noise from augmented dataset and achieved an average loss of 17.33 after 10 epochs

## KNN Classifier to detect potential Credit Card fraud | % Blog Link

West Lafayette, USA

Tools Used: Python, Scikit-learn, Predictive Modelling

Sep 2021

- Built a predictive model to determine whether a credit card transaction is fraudulent or not and achieved 95.468% training accuracy and 90.625% test accuracy. Employed K-Nearest Neighbors Classification with cross validation to optimize the hyperparameters.
- Neovim Code Editor config using Lua Integrated LSP and fuzzy finding capabilities with 4ms startup time | ? Github Link
- Portfolio website development using Hugo Javascript, HTML, CSS, Markdown | O Github Link