VINIT TODAI

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Education

Northwestern University, USA | Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence

Sep 2021 – Dec 2022(Exp.)

Courses: Frameworks of AI, Introduction to AI, Machine Learning, Data Science

University of Mumbai, India | Bachelor of Technology in Computer Engineering

Aug 2015 – Jun 2019

Courses: Data Structures, Algorithms, AI, Machine Learning, Neural Networks, IOT

CGPA: 8.48/10

Experience

Barclays Global Service Centre, Pune, India

Jul 2019 - Aug 2021

Software Engineer, Barclaycard UK

- Developed REST APIs for iPortal, which provides a single point of access to all Barclays Corporate Banking services, impacting over 200,000+ users globally (Java, Spring, Hibernate, MySQL)
- Played a vital part in the end-to-end delivery of 5 APIs following an agile project development methodology, right from requirement analysis, development, unit and integration testing, deployment and final release
- Directed a team of 8 engineers for the development of 'Assist', a platform that connects task publishers—who have an innovative idea, and task contributors—who want to acquire new skills, saving 762+ man-hours annually, with 230+ users across Barclays (Java, Spring, Hibernate, MySQL, Angular)
- Spearheaded the InnerSource initiative to reuse software modules in projects across the department by unifying with 'Assist', where colleagues can contribute by hosting a workshop or publishing a blog on how to reuse their project code

Projects

Brain Controlled Wheelchair [Demo] | University of Mumbai, India

- Led a team of 3 researchers to develop a brain-controlled wheelchair with 98% accuracy by reading brainwaves with an EEG headset and streaming data to an Android app that interprets brainwaves and translates them into commands
- Integrated the system with a Raspberry Pi based wheelchair, and implemented obstacle detection and avoidance using Tensorflow Mobile; lowering the potential cost from \$2000 to \$400

Sign Language Translator [Demo] | Northwestern University

• Developed an American Sign Language translator with an accuracy of 96% using several ML algorithms such as Neural Network, Random Forest, KNN, SVM, Logistic Regression, and Naive Bayes on the Leap Motion Controller ASL dataset

AirMusic-Generate Music with your moves [Demo] | Tensorflow World Hackathon

• Developed a real-time music production system that uses a camera to evaluate 17 human pose keypoints, estimates human postures with Posenet, a Tensorflow Deep Learning model, and maps them to melodies from piano and drums

GestureAssistant [Demo] | Global PyTorch Hackathon

• Developed a virtual assistant in Python that uses Pytorch to turn 5 gestures into desktop commands in real time, such as opening a browser, Microsoft Word, or launching a video player, automating the desktop without the need to click a key

BrainPort - A VR Journey with your Brain [Demo] | Facebook DevC Challenge

• Designed a VR environment in React 360 and integrated it with a brainwave headset, analyzing 5 brainwave bands in real time and teleporting the user to 4 different locations in the virtual world with his thoughts, such as a beach or mountain

Technical Skills

Programming: Java, Python, C++, R, SQL, HTML, CSS, Javascript, Angular, Node.js, MATLAB, Android programming **Machine Learning**: Scikit-learn, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, TensorFlow Mobile, PyTorch

Frameworks/Tools: Microservices, Git, Gradle, Spring Boot, Hibernate, Jenkins, Openshift, Firebase, JIRA, Confluence

Leadership / Extracurricular

Maker Relations Officer | Maker Mela Core Team, RiiDL

Aug 2016 - Jan 2018

- Interacted with 1000+ innovators, startups, and technology leaders from across the globe and collaborated with 20+ makerspaces, providing them a platform to showcase their inventions at Asia's largest Innovator Gathering—Maker Mela
- Supervised a team of 5 and collaborated with multiple other teams to organize Maker Mela for two consecutive years, with 200+ innovators and 50,000+ visitors from across the world

Honors and Awards

- Keynote Speaker, Hackathon Winner [Link]—MongoDB World '19, New York (900+ participants from 22 countries)
- 5th Place, AWS DeepRacer League—A self-driving car race driven by ML, conducted at Barclays (200+ participants)
- Finalist, India Innovation Challenge Design Contest, a Tech-Startup competition arranged by the Govt. of India, Texas Instruments and IIM Bangalore, for the project Brain Controlled Wheelchair (Top 30 from 26,511 participants)
- Featured on front page of Maharashtra Times, India's largest selling newspaper, for project Brain Controlled Wheelchair