

# Vishal Sriram

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*B.S. Computer Science | Statistics Minor*

**May 2021**

*Dean's List | GPA: 3.95*

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*Master of Computer Science*

**May 2022**

*GPA: N/A*

## SKILLS

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- **Languages:** Python (Pytorch, Tensorflow, Numpy, SKLearn), C++, C, Java, Javascript, HTML/CSS, Clojure, R
- **Technologies:** SQL, MongoDB, Bash, Hive, Hadoop, Spark, CUDA

## EXPERIENCE

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### Synchrony Financial

**Jan. 2020 – Present**

*Emerging Technology Intern*

*Urbana, IL*

- Developed smart contracts built on a blockchain infrastructure to efficiently process consumer claim adjudication in real time (**Provisional Patent Filed**)
- Developed a platform for employers to extend salary backed credit to employees for medical expenses, including issuing cards via Stripe and dynamically determining credit spending limits
- Developed a Python script to automatically manage customer CCPA requests, streamlining the approval process and greatly reducing man hours needed

### Real Time Embedded Systems Lab @ UIUC

**Feb. 2019 – May 2020**

*Research Assistant*

*Urbana, IL*

- Developed a module for a UAV to gather images from IR and visual cameras during flight over farms and fields and analyze the images for any anomalies to alert farmers
- Developed an OpenCV powered module to stitch collected data together into a single image using flight geometry and sensor information
- Designed task prioritization for UAV to enable onboard image processing without compromising power delivery to critical components through analysis of sensor readings and flight path

### CS @ UIUC

**Aug. 2019 – Dec. 2019**

*Code Moderator/TA*

*Urbana, IL*

- Lead a group of 8 students throughout the semester, teaching core Java and C++ paradigms, facilitating collaboration, and worked office hours helping students debug code in Java and C++
- Developed public speaking skills in teaching and explaining, especially to those not familiar with CS concepts as this was an introductory course into the language

## PROJECTS

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### AI Powered Music Genre Detection | AI Hackathon @ NCSA

**Dec. 2019**

- Developed a model to classify music into 16 distinct genres, given raw audio input
- Developed a preprocessing scrip in order to reduce the size of each sample by extracting important features of each piece and applying PCA to determine important features
- Trained the CRNN with a residual layer on approximately 900 GB of data on the HAL supercomputer at NCSA@Illinois, and achieved 40~50% accuracy

### Stock Predictions | Datathon @ UIUC

**Feb. 2019**

- Developed a model to predict stock prices for four tickers using data from the past, placing third overall in the Datathon
- Performed sentiment analysis on tweets using the Twitter API on Textblob's NLP platform to analyze relationship between public sentiment and stock price
- Trained a Geometric Brownian Motion Model using the historical prices as well as the sentiment analysis of the stock, achieving a 60~70% success rate