# Vishal Sriram

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

May 2021

James Scholar | Dean's List | GPA: 3.95

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

B.S. Computer Science | Statistics Minor

May 2022

Master of Computer Science

GPA: N/A

#### **SKILLS**

■ Languages: Python (Pytorch, Tensorflow, Numpy, SKLearn), C++, C, Java, JS (React), HTML/CSS, Clojure, R

**Technologies:** SQL, MongoDB, Bash, Spark, Hive, Hadoop, CUDA (FA2020)

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **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

Aug. 2019 - Dec. 2019

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

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**

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

Dec. 2019

- Developed a model using Machine Learning techniques to classify music into 16 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