

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Data:** Relational/non-relational databases, Hadoop, Apache Spark, High Performance Computing Systems, Unix, Logstash

**Programming:** C, Python [pandas, numpy, scipy, scikit-learn, matplotlib], SQL, MATLAB, TensorFlow/Keras, Shell Scripting, Data Visualization [d3.js, Tableau]

**Analytics:** Machine/Deep Learning: Feature engineering, Time Series Forecasting, CNNs/RNNs, NLP, Electromagnetics and Wireless Communication Standards, Statistical Analysis, Experimental Set Up, Hands-on Radio Frequency Experiments, Scientific Presentations, Communicating Scientific Results

## EDUCATION

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Masters in Data Science and Engineering	University of California, San Diego - Sep 2016 – Jun 2018
Doctoral Candidate, Electrical Engineering	University of Texas, Arlington - Aug 2006 – Aug 2010
Masters in Electrical Engineering	University of Texas, Arlington - Aug 2004 – Aug 2006

## PROJECTS

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### Lung Nodule Classification and Localization with 2D/3D CNNs - masters thesis

- Designed end-to-end CNN pipeline with AWS, HDF5 and Keras/TensorFlow using the LUNA16 dataset
- Built a classification ResNet model and currently working on a localization, segmentation tasks using U-NET
- Validation through ROC curves shows model performs better than commercial CAD systems

### Predicting Amazon Review Helpfulness Ratio

- Feature engineering using transformation and NLP techniques
- Implemented ensemble algorithms: XGBoost and random forest models to predict Amazon product review helpfulness
- Achieved a MAE of 0.176 compared to a baseline model score of 0.261

### Super Resolution Radar Imaging Based on Compressive Sampling - doctoral thesis

- Compressive sampling based radar imaging approach to model targets as energy content of scattering centers
- Super-resolution radar images to detect objects above rough surfaces emulating objects on a ocean surface

### Mitigation of Window Effects in Radar Imagery Using Wavelets - masters thesis

- Proposed a physics based approach using wavelets for clutter suppression and mitigating window effects

### Other academia and self motivated projects

- Image segmentation and classification using Tensorflow, Time series forecasting using LSTMs, Image and Video captioning using CNNs and RNNs, NLP of news data, Super-resolution imaging using Auto encoders

## RECENT EXPERIENCE

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<b>Data Scientist/Software Applications Engineer</b>	<b>Qualcomm - March 2012 – Present</b>
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- Engineer Machine learning model for predicting HPC cluster environment utilization
- Pattern analysis for 5 years HPC computing environment data with Hadoop environment
- Time-series forecasting for resource need demand forecasting

- Commercialization of embedded software and systems development of wireless standards
- Proficient in end to end protocol of wireless standards such as WCDMA, and LTE
- Commercialization lead for China OEM to launch in North American carrier

## RF Engineer

Ericsson - Sep 2010 – March 2012

- RF optimization engineer for live cellular networks based on fields measurements and RF planning tools
- Proposed optimization strategies through field trails and debugging call flows to improve network performance

## Adjunct Faculty/Graduate Researcher

University of Texas, Arlington - Aug 2006 – Aug 2010

- Instructor for Electromagnetics II
- Researcher in wave scattering research center focused on Antenna design, radar imaging and signal processing, Compressive sampling based radar imaging, and RF measurements

## FIRST AUTHOR PUBLICATIONS

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- [1] S. K. Gunnala *et al.*, “Wideband Cavity-Backed Slot Antenna for Ground Penetrating Free of Direct Ground Bounce”, Electromagnetics Journal, Vol. 31, Iss. 3, pp: 192 - 214, 2011.
- [2] S. K. Gunnala, *et al.*, “An Ultra-Wideband Cavity Backed Slot Antenna Matched to Various Ground Media,” IEEE APS and URSI Conference, 2011.
- [3] S. K. Gunnala, and S. Tjuatja “Target detection above rough surfaces in microwave imaging using compressive sampling,” pp.3498 - 3501, IGARSS, July 2010.
- [4] S. K. Gunnala, and S. Tjuatja “Superresolution ISAR imaging using Compressive Sampling,” Proc. SPIE, Vol. 7699-8, Orlando, April 2010.
- [5] S. K. Gunnala, *et al.*, “Localization of scattering centers in radar imaging based on sparsity constraints,” Proc. SPIE, Vol. 7337, 73370J (2009); DOI:10.1117/12.818952
- [6] S. K. Gunnala, *et al.*, “Radar Target Modeling Based on Energy Content of Scattering Centers,” presented at PIERS 2009 Beijing proceedings, china.
- [7] S. K. Gunnala, *et al.*, “Subsurface sensing of near surface object using cavity backed slot (CBS) antenna,” Proceedings of IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing International Symposium, vol. 2, pp. II-189- II-192, July 2008.
- [8] S. K. Gunnala, *et al.*, “A novel wide band slot antenna for ground penetrating radar,” presented at IEEE APS International Symposium, San Diego, July 2008.
- [9] S. K. Gunnala, *et al.*, “A Broadband Proximity Antenna for Subsurface Sensing,” presented at PIERS 2008 proceedings at Hangzhou, china.

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

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Python for Data Analysis • Database Management Systems • Probability & Statistics using Python • Data Analysis using Spark • Machine Learning and Deep learning • Beyond Relational Data Models • Data Visualization • Data Integration and ETL • Computational Methods in Electromagnetics • Digital Signal Processing • Random Signals and Noise • Statistical Signal Processing • Wavelets and Filter Banks • Propagation Modeling • Neural Networks • Wireless Communications • Digital Communications • Antenna system theory