Ashwin Pathak

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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

Master of Science in Computer Science with Machine Learning Specialization.

Aug. 2021 - Present

CGPA: 4.0/4.0. Advised by: Dr. Diyi Yang. Expected Graduation: Spring 2023

International Institute of Information Technology

Hyderabad, India

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science (Honors in Computer Vision)

Aug. 2015 - Jul. 2019

• CGPA: 9.4/10.0 (Top 5% of the batch). Awarded Dean's Merit List for Academic Excellence

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: C | C++ | Python | Java | JavaScript | NodeJS | ReactJS | Kotlin

Misc: React | AWS | GraphQL | Kubernetes | Django | Git | Intellij | Android Studio | PyTorch | Keras | Tensorflow Courses: CV | NLP | ML | DSA | Graphics | OS | CN | DBMS | AI | Distributed Systems | Software Engineering Languages: English(Fluent) | Hindi(Native)

PUBLICATIONS

AbuseAnalyzer: Abuse Detection, Severity and Target Prediction for Gab Posts

2020

International Conference on Computational Linguistics

- Worked with Mohit Chandra, Manish Gupta, Manish Shrivastava, Ponnurangam Kumaraguru. Created a fine-grained abuse detection method along with an abuse analysis dataset comprising of 7601 gab posts.
- Proposed a system for abuse analysis, obtaining an accuracy of 80% for abuse presence, 82% for abuse target prediction, and 65% for abuse severity prediction.

Idiomaticity Detection using Few-Shot Learning

2022

International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation

- Detected idioms using zero-shot and few-shot learning using Siamese Networks with BERT based pre-trained multilingual models
- Achieved F-1 score of 85% in the classification task.

EXPERIENCE

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May. 2022 – Present

$Software\ Engineer\ Intern$

Atlanta, USA

- Working on the **new verticals merchant experience** team to develop the functionality of search for self serve inventory management for non-retail merchants.
- Working on AWS, Terraform, Kotlin, Redis, React and GraphQL.

Amazon.com

Jul. 2019 – Aug. 2021

Software Development Engineer

Hyderabad, India

- Led, designed, developed and launched "Call-Off-Stock" project for highly scaled, idempotent and concurrent inventory tracking systems and its accounting. Worked on AWS, CDK, Java Spring MVC and DynamoDB.
- Launched "Invoice-By-Amazon" project as a SME on accounting systems for European marketplace flash-sale.
- Catered to Business customers' experience by **developing and enriching widgets** for Amazon Business homepage and navigation across **all marketplaces along with AWS** migration.
- Mentored SDEs, presented projects organization-wide and won accolades for accounting and tracking projects.

Social and Language Technologies Lab

Oct. 2021 – Present

Researcher

Georgia Tech, Atlanta, USA

- Working with Dr. Diyi Yang on conversation summarization.
- Employing self-supervision techniques to create structurally-aware and consistently robust summaries.

Institute for high performance computing and networking (ICAR-CNR) May. 2019 – Jul. 2019 Research Intern Calabria, Italy

• Worked remotely with Dr. Giuseppe Manco on safety and security of deep neural networks.

- Carried out intensive research on ways of fooling deep neural networks and how to mitigate them.
- Developed a variational auto-encoders based semi-supervised learning classifier for Nazism detection.

Precog Research Lab

Jan. 2019 – Apr. 2019

Research Assistant

Huderabad, India

- Researched on Hate Speech Detection in code-mixed Data.
- Worked with Dr. Ponnurangam Kumaraguru on hindi-english code mixed tweets for detection and analysis.
- Harnessed BERT, sub-word level semantics with transfer learning. Demonstrated the results successfully.

Center for Visual Information Technology

May. 2017 – Jul. 2019

Honors Researcher on Augmented Reality

Hyderabad, India

- Researched with Dr. P.J. Narayanan (Director of the institute) on hand-held user perspective rendering.
- Optimized rendering using light-weighted deep neural networks on android mobiles, vuforia, unity3D and android.

Amazon.com

May. 2018 – Jul. 2018

Software Development Internship

Hyderabad, India

- ullet Designed, developed and launched a new recommendations widget for **Amazon Business Homepage**.
- Implemented the recommendations module for users based on their shopping preferences.

International Institute of Information Technology

Aug. 2018 - Nov. 2018

Research Assistant

Hyderabad, India

- Worked with Dr. Ravi Kiran to render sketches from a user-defined viewpoint using novel view synthesis.
- Modeled a transformation grounded image generation network involving deep auto encoders and GANs.

Projects

COS Inventory Authority and Ledger | Java, NodeJS, AWS, CDK, ECS, DynamoDB Aug. 2020 - Aug. 2021

- Designed a multi-threaded solution for tracking using DynamoDB, S3, locks and state design pattern.
- Implemented ledger service for sellers using AWS step functions, CDK, NodeJS and idempotent service calls.

Visual Question Answering using CLIP | Python, Pytorch, CLIP, VQA

Jan. 2022 – Apr. 2022

• Zero-shot classification based model for Visual Question Answering using CLIP.

<u>Situational Awareness for Covid-19</u> | Python, Django, Causality Model

Aug. 2021 – Dec. 2021

Created a Covid-19 tracker and predictor dashboard using granger causality model and statistical ML.

Parallax Tolerant Image Stitching | Python, OpenCV, Computer Vision

Jan. 2018 – Apr. 2018

• Worked with Dr. Anoop Namboodiri on finding alignment terms corresponding to local stitching and then applying Content Preserving Warping for refining the results.

Model Based Document Classification and Clustering | Python, Numpy, Scipy

Aug. 2017 – Nov. 2017

• Worked with Prof. Vineet Gandhi to develop a generative model using GMMs to cluster the documents.

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Georgia Tech and IIIT-H

Aug. 2017 – May 2022

Teaching Assistant

Atlanta, Hyderabad

- Worked with Prof. Ritter Alan as a GTA for CS 4641 Machine Learning course. Worked with Prof. Shashank Varma as a GTA for CS 3790 Introduction to Cognitive Science course.
- Worked with Prof. Avinash Sharma as a TA for Computer **Graphics**. Worked with Prof. Ravi Kiran as a TA for **Digital Image Processing**. Worked with Prof. Madhav Krishna as a TA for **Digital Logic and Processors**.

AlgoUniversity and Newton School

Feb. 2021 – Aug. 2021

Instructor and Mentor

Hyderabad, India

Instructor for data structures, algorithms and web development with AlgoUniversity and NewtonSchool.

Alumni cell and Felicity, IIITH

Jun. 2017 – Apr. 2019

Head Content Writer and Hospitality Coordinator

Hyderabad, India

- Worked as a head content writer for Alumni cell at IIITH.
- Worked as a hospitality coordinator for Felicity, a techno-cultural festival at IIITH.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Trend Setter Award at Amazon for peculiar and innovative display of work organization-wide.
- Pat-on-the-back Award at Amazon for effective delivery of results.
- National Talent Search Examination (NTSE) scholar in 2013 conducted by NCERT.
- Stood 4th in International Commerce Olympiad nation wide at Bombay Stock Exchange.