JASH MEHTA

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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology

2022 - Ongoing

M.S. in Computer Science, Specialization in Machine Learning

Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) for CS 6220 Big Data Systems and Analytics for Fall 22.

University of Mumbai

2018 - 2022

Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.) in Computer Engineering

Overall GPA: 9.67/10

EXPERIENCE

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Gandhinagar

May 2021 - Jan 2022

Research Intern

Advisor: Dr. Mayank Singh

- · Performed probing and robustness evaluation of automated review generators to adversarial perturbations.
- · Formulated desiderata for an ideal review generator system and provided a public leaderboard along with a framework for unified & comprehensive measurement of their performance.
- · Won Best Presentation Award at SRIP program for the work done at the Computational Linguistics Group

Unicode Research Aug 2020 - Jan 2022

Research Student

Advisors: Dr. Akash Srivastava, Swapneel Mehta

- · **Projects:** Estimating the causal effect of mentorship on student career outcomes; and small-world simulation to model opinion polarization of online communities using Pyro.
- · Teaching Assistant: Google Research funded 9-week Machine Learning Course UMLSC 2021 with 100+ students.

Dwarkadas J. Sanghvi College of Engineering

Jan 2021 - June 2021

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr.Ramchandra Mangrulkar

- · Made a project dealing with the brain tumor segmentation using Federated Learning on the cloud.
- · Worked on a research project to identify Spear Phishing using low computational NLP approaches.
- · Published 2 chapters in the domains of Federated Learning and Natural Language Processing.

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Machine Learning Intern

Mumbai, India

- · Devised dynamic pricing strategy for a restaurant which helped in improving the sales by 28%.
- · Worked with ML team for deployment of recommender system pipeline and other internal ML systems.

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Jash Mehta*, Deep Gandhi*, Naitik Rathod, and Sudhir Bagul, "IndicFed: A Federated Approach for Sentiment Analysis in Indic Languages," in *Proceedings of ICON 2021: The 18th International Conference on Natural Language Processing*, ACL Anthology, *Accepted*.
- [2] Deep Gandhi*, Jash Mehta*, and Pranit Bari, "Ablation Analysis of Seq2Seq Models and Vanilla Transformers for Spanish to English Translation," in *Proceedings of the 3rd International Conference on Advances in Distributed Computing and Machine Learning*, Springer Nature, Accepted.

- [3] Jash Mehta, Deep Gandhi, Govind Thakur, and Pratik Kanani, "Music Genre Classification using Transfer Learning on log-based MEL Spectrogram," in 2021 5th International Conference on Computing Methodologies and Communication (ICCMC), pp. 1101–1107, IEEE, 2021.
- [4] Deep Gandhi, **Jash Mehta**, Nemil Shah, and Ramchandra Mangrulkar, "Federated Learning for Brain Tumor Segmentation on the Cloud," in *Cloud Computing Technologies for Smart Agriculture and Healthcare*, pp. 261–278, Chapman and Hall/CRC, 2021.
- [5] Deep Gandhi, **Jash Mehta**, and Ramchandra Mangrulkar, "Detection of Spear Phishing using Natural Language Processing," in *Cyber Security Threats and Challenges facing Human Life*, ch. 9, Chapman and Hall/CRC, *Accepted*.

PROJECTS

A Federated Approach to Predict Emojis in Hindi Tweets

Guide: Dr. Zeerak Talat

- · Conducted cost sensitive learning and SMOTE for imbalanced emoji data using FedProx for training.
- · Curated a dataset of ~1M tweets in low resource Hindi language & conducted emoji prediction using bi-LSTM, mBERT, IndicBERT, Hindi-Electra, XLM-R, etc
- Under review at ACL ARR 2022

Hate Speech Detection using Federated Learning

Guide: Dr. Zeerak Talat

- · Standardized 9 hate-speech datasets (Fortuna et al.).
- · Experimented with AWD-LSTM, BERT, FNet, DistilBERT, RoBERTa, etc. in federated & centralized settings.
- · Under review at EMNLP 2022.

Automotive Component Failure Prediction

Guide: Dr. Kriti Srivastava

- · Collaborated with a Big4 Consultancy firm to predict tyre life in vehicles using models such as MLP, XGB, etc.
- · Designed a case study for the firm regarding tyre life uncertainty after extensive analysis of presented data.

FedHealth Guide: Prof. Lynette D'Mello

- · Bachelor's thesis leveraging blockchain-based FL architecture for patient prognosis and hospital in-flow prediction.
- · Created representations for personalized prescriptions based on user reviews using Med-BERT embeddings.

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Languages: Python, R, Javascript, C, C++

Libraries/Frameworks: PyTorch, Huggingface, Pyro, fast.ai, PySyft, Keras, Pandas, scikit-learn, NumPy

Databases: SQL, MongoDB, Redis, PostgreSQL

Tools: Git, Jupyter, Docker, Bash, Heroku, AWS, Azure, LATEX

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1. Awarded Inspire Scholarship, Top 1% candidates in the state for Higher Secondary Certificate (12th Grade), 2018.
- 2. Coding member, DJS Arya: a cansat team which achieved 24th rank in PDR and 34th rank (Worldwide) in 2018-19.
- 3. Mentor at DJ Unicode: jointly mentoring a team of \sim 70 sophomores and juniors with selections for Google Summer of Code, international internships, and hackathon winners across the country.
- 4. Top 8 at DJACM LoC 2020 Hackathon.
- 5. Top 48 teams countrywide for "Project Deep Blue", an initiative by Mastek to solve real-world problems.
- 6. Selected for Advanced Language Processing Winter School (ALPS) 2022.