Varun Ramani

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EDUCATION

University of Maryland

College Park, MD

B.S./M.S. Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics. GPA 3.9/4.0.

Aug. 2020 - Dec 2024

Computer Science: Deep Learning, Advanced ML, OS, Networks, Compilers, Data Structures/Algorithms

Math: Signal Processing, Cryptography, Abstract Algebra, Linear Algebra, Statistics, Calculus

EXPERIENCE

University of Maryland

Aug. 2020 - Present

Student Researcher

College Park, MD

- Developed autoencoder **ML model** for **LIDAR** data segmentation: achieved dense point classification.
- Investigated FMCW RADAR implementation using low-cost SDR and directional antennas.
- IMUOptimize: Enhanced IMU-based human pose estimation by identifying critical IMUs through model interpretation and developed a transformer-based neural network, achieving groundbreaking model performance.

Naval Research Laboratory

Jun. 2023 – Aug. 2023

Software Engineering Intern

Washington, D.C.

- Rebuilt C# RADAR app in TypeScript, React, Mantine: 98% faster load times.
- Implemented mTLS authentication for military-grade security.
- Developed **Docker/Python** build system: 25% faster prod. build, 99.96% faster dev. build.
- Created Rust-powered compatibility layer for legacy backend: enhanced productivity.

Meta May 2022 – Aug. 2022

Software Engineering Intern

Menlo Park, CA

- Enhanced user privacy with secure hashing techniques.
- Core module optimization: reduced CPU usage, saved billions of operations.
- Developed simulation framework for rapid development iteration

PROJECTS & AWARDS

BlockPipe | blockpipe.varunramani.com | *Language Theory*, *WebAssembly*

Dec. 2023 - Jan. 2023

- Conceptualized and developed novel functional language; built lexer, parser, and interpreter.
- Created interactive demo website; compiled interpreter to WebAssembly and integrated into browser.

GeekOS C Aug. 2023 - Dec. 2023

- Implemented crucial **OS** features in **C** for UMD's OS course.
- Added pipes, process control, signals, virtual memory (paging) and virtual filesystem.

Memaid | devpost:memaid | Computer Vision, Speech To Text, NLP, Google Cloud, Python, Flutter

Apr. 2022

- Furthered quality of life for dementia patients; recognized by Google.
- When meeting someone new, app memorizes face/name and stores conversation summary. Automatically recalls/relays info next time same face recognized.

Maskif.ai | devpost:maskif-ai | Computer Vision, IoT, TensorFlow, Python, Google Cloud

Nov. 2020

- Developed accessible solution enforcing mask compliance; grand prize at Yale's YHack 2020 hackathon.
- Computer vision triggers "smart" lock when unmasked individual approaches door; unlocks after they leave.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Rust, Python, Java, JavaScript, C/C++, Go, OCaml, Ruby, SQL, MATLAB, HTML, CSS

Frameworks: Flask, React, React Native, Flutter, TensorFlow, PyTorch

Tooling and Systems: Git, AWS, GCP, Docker, Linux

Libraries: pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib