

# NAGA HARSHITA MARUPAKA

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## Education

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### University of Southern California

*Master of Science in Computer Science*

Aug 2022–May 2024

GPA: 3.73/4.0

### Indian Institute of Information Technology, SriCity

*Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering*

Aug 2018–May 2022

GPA: 9.12/10.0

## Technical Skills

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**Programming Languages:** Python, Java, SQL, C/C++, JavaScript, TypeScript, Go, Swift

**Web Frameworks:** Django, React.js, Next.js, Node.js, Angular, Ajax, jQuery, HTML5/CSS

**Data Science and ML:** Pandas, Scikit-Learn, XGBoost, Spacy, Seaborn, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Spark, Hadoop

**Tools and Platforms:** GCP, AWS, Docker, Kubernetes, CUDA, Git, Firebase, Jira, Apache Airflow

**Techniques:** Exploratory Analysis, Predictive analytics, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing (NLP),

Recommender Systems, Statistical Analysis, Hypothesis Testing, Data Visualization

## Work Experience

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### Machine Learning Intern, Informatics Team

*USC Alzheimer's Therapeutic Research Institute*

June 2023–Present

*San Diego, CA*

- Crafted a comparison report detailing 15+ open-source libraries for **speech recognition** with a specific focus on resource allocation, performance metrics, and benchmark analysis
- Engineered an efficient pipeline to provide video transcription with speaker distinction for cognitive sciences
- Integrated the video transcription outcomes into a React application, offering an intuitive visual representation
- Spearheaded the development of an interactive dashboard for a Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) project, adhering to the principles of Test-Driven Development (TDD)

### Software Developer Intern, Backend Team

*Josh Talks*

Dec 2021–Jun 2022

*Bengaluru, India*

- Designed and implemented a **group voice-calling feature**, enabling customizable speaker and listener settings
- Conducted a successful pilot for multiple audio chat rooms, each accommodating over 100 participants
- Contributed to configuring virtual machine instances, setting up CI/CD pipelines with Cloud Build trigger, and databases with cloud SQL auth proxy in Google Cloud Platform
- Programmed SQL views and queries to enhance the user engagement by scheduling engagement notifications based on user inactivity and analyze the million-user database for daily and monthly active users

## Projects

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### *Integrated Data Analytics Platform, Develop for Good - Python, ETL, SQL, Airflow*

June 2023–August 2023

- Led a team of 7 engineers in developing a streamlined, cost-efficient airflow pipeline to transfer Google Analytics (GA4) data into SQL warehouse and create materialized views for further analysis

### *Toxicity Detection & Mitigation in Reddit Comments, NLP - Python, POS*

March 2023–May 2023

- Trained a bi-directional GRU model to predict the toxicity score of scraped 100k reddit comments
- Implemented a novel algorithm that leverages POS tags to generate candidate sentences for offensive text and fine-tuned DistilRoBERTa model to fill the masked words of the candidate sentences

### *Event Finder, Web Technologies - Node.js, React.js, GCP, Swift*

January 2023–May 2023

- Orchestrated end-to-end development and deployment of a robust full-stack web application, integrating Ticketmaster API to empower users with advanced event search capabilities
- Developed a responsive iOS mobile app using Swift with similar functionalities, widening the application's accessibility

### *KPT - Open Source Project, Google Container Tools - Go, GCP, Kubernetes*

May 2021–June 2021

- Implemented an end-end feature request create-setters functionality for kpt tool to parameterize field values by adding setter comments in Kubernetes configuration files
- Assessed the output of the feature to handle different inputs through the unit tests and manual testing

### *Image Inpainting using Deep Learning, IIITS - Computer Vision, GAN*

Jan 2021–Nov 2021

- Reconstructed the lost pixels using Spectral Normalised GAN with Gated convolution and Self-Attention.
- Modified the TRANSGAN to produce results for the Image Inpainting subtask that uses only vision transformer blocks to learn the features of the image without convolution.