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# Venkata Bhanu Teja Pallakonda

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#### EDUCATION

Master of Science in Computer Science, Texas A&M University, College StationAug 2021 - Jun 2023Bachelor of Technology in Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) TirupatiAug 2015 - May 2019

#### **SKILLS & RELEVANT SPECIALIZATION**

Programmming Specializations

Python [Pytorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, Sklearn, Rasa, FastAPI], Javascript, Reactjs, SQL, Docker.

Deep Learning, Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Analog Circuits, Computer Vision, Complex Variables, Artificial Intelligence, Calculus, Image Processing, Linear Algebra, Optimization Techniques

#### **PATENTS**

US-PATENT[12001463] - Edge Computing Units for Operating Conversational Tools at Local Sites

Inventor

US-PATENT[11960515] - Edge Computing Units for Operating Conversational Tools at Local Sites

Apr. 2024

Seattle, Washington

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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# Lead AI Engineer, Generative AI LLMs Armada AI

Jul. 2023 - Present Seattle, Washington

- Pioneered the development of advanced AI assistive systems leveraging Large Language Models (LLMs) as versatile agents, encompassing: (1) online context-aware chatbots capable of answering, troubleshooting, and addressing user-specific and time-dependent queries; (2) implementation of Retrieval Augmented Generation for dynamic, account-aware responses; (3) custom follow-up questioning for parameter gathering to interface with external data sources; and (4) innovative application in robotic control, including conversational drone flight scheduling.
- Engineered a robust full-stack solution to operationalize the chatbot, incorporating Redis for caching, SQL databases for persistent storage, and efficient session management. Developed and exposed the chatbot functionality as an API, crafted an intuitive user interface, and leveraged Docker containerization. Configured Kubernetes (K8s) deployments for optimal scaling, performance, and orchestration of microservices architecture.
- Successfully demonstrated the project's capabilities in various settings, which directly led to securing substantial investor funding and attracting multiple companies as customers, significantly contributing to startup growth and market presence.

## **Machine Learning Engineer**

Fincare Small Finance Bank

Jun. 2019 - Oct. 2020 Bangalore, India

- Engineered an NLP-based banking chatbot using BERT transformer models for intent classification and entity extraction, working with a variety of structured and unstructured data sources.
- Designed and improved core NLP components for ID card detection, field extraction, and field masking to ensure privacy, incorporating the latest research, technologies, and techniques directly into a production environment.

## **PROJECTS**

#### Any-to-Any Voice Conversion using Transformers Link to presentation

Texas A&M University

Feb. 2022 - May. 2022

College Station, Texas

Oct. 2022 - Nov. 2022

• Extracted linguistic features and voice identity from utterances, utilizing them independently to achieve versatile voice conversions with transformers for training, resulting in clear synthesized speech and successful voice conversions.

## Repaper - Python Package Link to Github

Open-source Contribution

• Developed a Python package to generate editable PDF forms or online forms from sample form images using LayoutLM and easy-ocr for key-value pair identification and text information extraction.

# Mailcheck.ing Link to Website

Founder

Jun. 2021 - Jul. 2021

Hyderabad, India

• A real-time email validation API to check deliverability of the email by contacting the SMTP server. Techstack used FASTApi, Docker, NextJs, Supabase, and Stripe.

MixRNet arXiv

Sep. 2021 - Nov. 2021

College Station, Texas

• Mixup regularization technique to enhance ResNet50 image classification task achieving an error of 4.87% on the CIFAR-10.

# Research Assistant (NSF Funded)

Jan. 2022 - Dec 2022

Texas A&M University

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College Station, Texas

 Enhanced pancreatic cancer prediction by reducing features and increasing recall using advanced machine learning techniques, incorporating state-of-the-art techniques like Mixed Precision on Transformer networks.