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EDUCATION	University of Waterloo, Canada (UW) <i>Sept 2019-Present</i> <i>Degree</i> Master of Mathematics in CS (thesis) <i>GPA</i> 97/100 (4.0/4.0) <i>Supervisor</i> Prof. Ming Li <i>Coursework</i> Optimization, Machine Learning, Deep Learning for NLP, Information Retrieval <i>Teaching Assistant</i> CS 115, Introduction to Computer Science (Fall 2019) International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore (IIIT-B) <i>Aug 2014-July 2019</i> <i>Degree</i> Integrated Masters in Information Technology <i>CGPA</i> Overall: 3.32/4, Theoretical CS Major: 3.63/4 <i>Coursework</i> Advanced Machine Perception, Data Structures and Algorithms, Linear Algebra <i>Teaching Assistant</i> CS 302, Theory of Automata and Computations (Fall 2018) SP 825, Visual Recognition (Spring 2019)
INTERESTS	Machine Learning for Recommender Systems and Natural Language Processing
PUBLICATIONS	Anup Deshmukh, Pratheeksha Nair, Shrisha Rao, “A Scalable Clustering Algorithm for Serendipity in Recommender Systems,” <i>ICDM 2018 workshop - SAREC [Paper] [Code]</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Effectuated serendipity in movie recommender systems with an algorithm - Serendipitous Clustering for Collaborative Filtering (SC-CF) that also efficiently tackles the problem of high sparsity. Rameshwar Pratap, Anup Deshmukh, Pratheeksha Nair, Tarun Dutt, “Fast and Provable Concept Decompositions in Large Text Corpus,” <i>ACML 2018 conference [Paper] [Code]</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proposed an algorithm by considering the spherical clustering problem for large sparse document collections. Proved that, with our approach the computational complexity in SPKM++ can be decreased while retaining the $\mathcal{O}(\log k)$ approximation guarantee to the optimal clustering result.
WORK EXPERIENCE	FAST lab, CentraleSupélec - France <i>May 2018-Oct 2018</i> <i>Internship: Perception of Emotions from Audio Signals</i> <i>Guide: Prof. Renaud Seguier</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Analyzed different set of acoustic features which are designed to detect the perceptual content of audio with CNNs in focus. Proposed Emo-CNN achieved 90.20% of categorical accuracy. SlicePay, Bangalore - India <i>May 2016-July 2016</i> <i>Internship: Full Stack Development</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Led the task of bringing flexibility in payment by building a browser extension using JavaScript which gave access to the SlicePay’s payment plans right from user’s merchant website.
PROJECTS	ContentNCF: Content Based Neural Collaborative Filtering <i>August 2019-Present</i> <i>Course: Machine Learning at UW</i> <i>Guide: Prof. Yaoling Yu</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Extended Neural Collaborative Filtering (NCF), to content-based recommendation scenarios.ContentNCF tailored for Image recommendation, with the best parameter setting, achieves HR and NDCG of 0.940 and 0.582 resp for the task of top-K recommendation. A Generative Adversarial Network for Diversity in Recommender Systems <i>July 2019</i> <i>Masters Thesis: Multimodal perception lab at IIIT-B</i> <i>Guide: Prof. Dinesh Babu</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proposed a Generative Adversarial Network (GAN) which exploits Reinforcement Learning (RL) to give diverse yet relevant recommendations. Achieved 77% of intra-list diversity in recommendations. Scaling up Simhash <i>(Under review in top AI conference)</i> <i>Jan 2018-Aug 2018</i> <i>Independent work at IIIT-B</i> <i>Guide: Prof. R. Pratap</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proposed a dimensionality reduction sketching algorithm - simsketch - which maintains an estimate of the cosine similarity between original real valued vectors.In the task of all-pair-similarity search we show that Simsketch significantly outperforms Simhash for higher threshold values on the precision-recall measure. Merge LSTM model for Image Description Generation <i>August 2017-April 2018</i> <i>Course: Research Elective at IIIT-B</i> <i>Guide: Prof. Dinesh Babu</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Built the deep model using Keras on the construction which uses both LSTMs for language modelling and CNNs for generating image representation. Achieved BLEU score of 0.51.
SKILLS	<i>Languages</i> Python, C++, JScript <i>Tools</i> Keras, TensorFlow, Matlab, Latex
AWARDS	2019 International Masters Award for Excellence 2019 UW Grad Scholarship
OTHER ACTIVITIES	2017 Speaker, TEDx pre-event at IIIT-B; Co-Founder, ‘Comic Club’ at IIIT-B 2016 Winner of the Hackathon held in IIIT-B as part of the Signal Processing course 2016 Designed and created an Intellectual Property Management Portal for IIIT-B.