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EDUCATION

2019 – 2023 Bachelor of Technology in Electrical Engineering, Minor in Physics, CPI: 7.5/10.0

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, India

2019 Grade XII (CBSE Board), Cumulative Percentage: 93.8%

MBS Public School, Bhubaneswar, India

2017 Grade X (CBSE Board), CGPA: 10.0/10.0 DAV Public School, Bhubaneswar, India

INTERESTS

Quantum Computing, Quantum Technology, Optimization, Software Development, Open-Source Software, Quantum Physics, Relativity

EXPERIENCES

May '22 – Present Software Engineer Intern, Citrix

Devops and Automation Services Team, Bengaluru, India

- Made major contributions to create a robust system to detect issues for **Grafeas**, a critical software auditing service used by the devops and automation team at Citrix
- Implemented a Golang microservice, added unit tests with 93.8% coverage, deployed the application with Kubernetes using Helm Charts and built a multi-branch CI/CD pipeline in Jenkins
- Incorporated the pipeline service with a metadata analysis component handled using Grafeas · Created a dashboard and an automated alert system on Splunk for detection of potential flaws
- based on reports collected from the pipeline logs

QWorld ♂

Dec '21 - Present Research Associate, QResearch Project, QWorld

Optimizing Logistics using Quantum Algorithms, Mentor: Dr. Paweł Gora

- Validated theoretical results of various solver approaches by carrying out experiments for 550+ instances of the Vehicle Routing Problem (VRP) on the **D-Wave quantum annealers**
- Devised a new solver approach for VRP with better practical accuracy compared to similar existing solvers as shown by our experiments
- Contributed to a comprehensive report focused on practical implementations of various hybrid quantum-classical techniques to solve combinatorial optimization problems in logistics with a goal of getting it published in popular journals
- Presented our work on Quantum Annealing based VRP formulations in the conference WDI 2022

Oct '21 – Jan '22 Quantum Open Source Foundation

QOSF ♂

Quantum Computing Mentorship Program, Mentor: Dr. Vesselin G. Gueorguiev

Task ♂

· Among 40 out of 1000+ applicants to be selected for the program and recognized for developing one of the best solutions to an assessment task by implementing Quantum Search on Unstructured Data using quantum input loading and Grover's algorithm

Project ♂

- Implemented new solvers based on clustering and non-clustering approaches for the **Travelling** Salesman Problem (TSP) and the Vehicle Routing Problem (VRP) using Quantum Annealing
- Improved applicabilities and accuracies of existing quantum annealing-based solvers for TSP and VRP by optimizing our algorithms to use minimal number of qubits
- Benchmarked running times and accuracies of solvers by testing them on D-Wave Quantum **Annealers**

Presentations

Apr '22 S. Borah, A. Mandoi, A. Verma, "Heuristic QUBO Formulations for solving the Vehicle Routing Problem using Quantum Annealing." Talk presented at 13th WDI '22 & , Warsaw, Poland. (2022)

SELECTED PROJECTS

Mar '22 - Present Quantum Algorithms for Semidefinite Programming and its Applications

Advisor: Prof. Ketan Rajawat Report ♂

- · Anatomized Arora and Kale's classical algorithm based on Multiplicative Weights Update method for solving Semidefinite Programs (SDPs)
- · Compared its query complexity and lower bounds with that of Brandão and Svore's quantum extension of SDP solvers and Apeldoorn and Gilyén's subsequent speed-ups
- Investigated practical applications of quantum algorithms for solving SDPs like Quantum Error Recovery and Shadow Tomography

May '21 – Jul '21 IITK-Coin

GitHub & Backend of a pseudo-currency system to be used in the IITK campus | Programming Club, IIT Kanpur

- Developed a microservices-based application from the ground up using Golang and SQLite
- Reinforced the backend security by employing the Bcrypt algorithm to hash and salt passwords, and implementing an OTP based confirmation system for the final stage of transactions
- Built an **extra layer of protection** by incorporating endpoints with user authorization using **JWTs**
- Facilitated **transaction tracking** for administrators by logging all activity into the database
- Increased server efficiency by allowing it to handle up to 300 concurrent transactions per second by utilizing Redis for caching and enabling the Write-Ahead Logging mode in SQLite

DockerHub ♂

• Containerized the application using **Docker** and automated the workflow using GitHub Actions

Jan '21 – Feb '21

Crio Winter of Doing

CWoD ♂

Externship program for developers | Crio.Do

- Acquired familiarity in technologies like HTTP, REST API, AWS, Linux, Git, HTML, CSS, JavaScript by implementing core concepts on real examples in a structured manner
- Deployed the backend server of an android app on a self-launched Amazon EC2 instance
- Sorted cities based on the popularity of usage of an application by **analyzing 10k+ logs** using **Linux shell techniques**
- ∘ Set up my **Personal Portfolio** ♂ web application integrated with my GitHub account
- Among the final 1200 out of 10,000+ total applicants to clear the coding round and reach Stage-2B

Jun '21 - Jul '21

Edison Tinfoil Phonograph

Advisors: Prof. Anish Upadhyaya, Prof. Shashank Shekhar

- Collaborated with a team of 10 for a semester-long project on manufacturing the phonograph
- Designed CAD models of sophisticated components and assemblies in the phonograph
- **Proposed optimal and cost-effective processing techniques** to be used in the manufacturing of the individual components of the device
- **Presented** the work of the team before the professor and discussed improvements

ACHIEVEMENTS & HONOURS

Programming Achievements

2021, 2022 IBM Quantum Challenges

Badges Among 677 worldwide to complete the 10 day challenge of *fall 2021* and among 560 worldwide to complete the 5 day challenge of *spring 2022* by solving problems in areas of applications of Quantum Computing like finance, natural sciences, machine learning and optimization

2020, 2021 Google Kickstart

Globally ranked 1636 in Round E 2021, 1055 in Round D 2021, and 976 in Round H 2020

2020, 2021 Facebook Hacker Cup

Globally ranked 1967 in Round-1 2021 and 2769 in Round-1 2020

Scholastic Achievements

- 2019 All India Rank 3592, in JEE-Advanced out of 220,000+ shortlisted candidates
- 2019 All India Rank 7480, in JEE-Main out of 0.9 million+ candidates
- 2019 National Top 300, to be selected for Indian National Chemistry Olympiad, HBCSE
- 2017 All India Rank 322, in KVPY out of 50,000+ candidates and selected for KVPY Fellowship by Govt. of India, and IISc Bangalore

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages C, C++, Python, Go, MATLAB, JavaScript

Web Node.js, Next.js, HTML, CSS, PHP, MySQL, SQLite, Redis

SDKs Qiskit, Ocean

Utilities/Tools Git, Docker, Kubernetes, Jenkins, Splunk, Linux shell utilities

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Computer Science Quantum Computing $^{[o]}$, Data Structures and Algorithms, Fundamentals of Computing, Intro to Machine Learning $^{[i]}$ \Box

Electrical Core Convex Optimization in SP-COM, Digital Control, Digital Electronics, Microelectronics, Principles of Communications, Digital Communication Networks^[o]

Maths & Physics Quantum Physics, Probability and Statistics, Partial Differential Equations, Complex Analysis

[i]: informal, [o]: ongoing, [hyperlinked at appropriate places]