ACHAL GAWANDE

ACADEMIC PROFILE			
Degree/Certificate	Institution	Percentage/CGPA	Year
B-Tech	Computer Science and Engineering IIT (BHU), Varanasi	8.34	2026
TSBIE (XII)	Sri Chaitanya Jr. Kalasala	97.00	2022
CBSE (X)	Yavatmal Public School	95.60	2020

SKILLS

- · Languages: C, C++, Python, Javascript
- Tools and Frameworks: TensorFlow, Keras, Django, Spring Boot, HTML, CSS, Git, REST APIs, CI/CD
- · Cloud/Databases: MySQL, Google Cloud Platform, Docker, K8S
- · Areas of Interest: Machine Learning, LLMs, GenAl, Data Analytics, Data Structures and Algorithms

INTERNSHIP/TRAINING

Software Engineer Intern, Walmart Global Tech (Bangalore, India)

May 2025 - July 2025

- Integrated **Distributed Tracing**, enhanced debugging across services via traceparent propagation and header injection.
- Onboarded multiple services to **Wolly** and **OpenObserve** by resolving broken instrumentation, missing headers, Java version mismatches, and legacy BOM conflicts.
- Exposure: Distributed Tracing, Spring Boot, Microservices, Observability Dashboards, AdTech Systems

Al Engineer Intern, Soul Al and Outlier (Remote)

Aug 2024 - Dec 2024

- Facilitated fine-tuning of **state-of-the-art** LLMs through **Reinforcement Learning** with Human Feedback (RLHF) by evaluating model outputs for reasoning depth and factual alignment.
- Reviewed and authored high-quality data to **improve** model performance, **reasoning**, and **factual accuracy**.
- Exposure: LLM Fine-tuning, Reinforcement Learning (RLHF), Prompt Engineering, Model Evaluation

PROJECTS

TransPAD-Cluster: Transformer-based Anomaly Detection using Clustering

Jan 2025 - May 2025

Under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Bidyuth Kumar Patra, IIT(BHU) CSE Dept

- Proposed and implemented a model augmenting **Transformer AutoEncoders** with clustering-based sequence samplers (**DP-Means**, **DPC**, etc.) for anomaly detection in high-dimensional tabular data.
- Designed pipeline integrating **12** clustering **methods** with **automated hyperparameter tuning** via GMM, KDE, and Bayesian Optimization, achieving **State-of-the-Art** AUROC (**0.994**) and AUPRC (**0.889**) on the LUNG-1vs5 dataset.
- Exposure: Attention-based Anomaly Scoring, AutoEncoders, Unsupervised Clustering, Optimizers

GPS Spoofing Detection Using Transformers

Sept 2024 - Dec 2024

Under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Om Jee Pandey, IIT(BHU) ECE Dept

- Proposed a **computationally efficient** Transformer-based framework that captures both **local** and **global** dependencies in GPS signals for robust UAV spoofing detection.
- Superior accuracy and computational efficiency compared to Bi-LSTM, ConvLSTM, and Nu-SVM.
- Exposure: Deep Learning, Self-Attention Mechanisms, Anomaly Detection, Transformer Architecture.

Contest Notifier June 2024

- Developed a **Linux** application using **GTK** and **Glade**, with secure login viakeyring, fetching data from an **API** to display contests and problems with **filters** for Codeforces, Codechef, LeetCode, Atcoder, and Spoj.
- Added a custom button for profile, logout, real-time notifications, and packaged with Pylnstaller for Linux.
- Exposure: GUI Development, API Integration, Secure Credential Storage, PyInstaller.

HONOURS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Competitive Programming

• Max rated 1983 on Leetcode with global ranking 458 in Biweekly Contest 133 (handle: codeKaiser)

Capture the Flag, (COPS, IIT(BHU))

Jan 2024

• Top 5 in the second-year rankings. Jeopardy-type event primarily focused on cryptography, steganography, etc.

Code with Maps, Google Maps Platform

Nov 2023

• Top 100 global ranking, in a WebDev and Google APIs hackathon with 2,600+ teams from 100+ countries.

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