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#### **Academics**

Year	Education	Grade
2017-2021	B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kharagpur	<b>9.45</b> /10.0 (Ongoing)
2017	Higher Secondary School Certificate Examination, CBSE	93.6%
2015	Secondary School Certificate Examination, CBSE	<b>10</b> /10

#### Research Interests

Machine Learning | Natural Language Processing | Computer Vision | Social Computing

## Research Experience

## Apr 19 - | Goog

Google Summer Of Code, 2019: JuliaText

FluxML, The Julia Language

Aug 19 Guide: Dr Lyndon White and Mr Avik Sengupta

- Implemented Linear Chain Conditional Random Fields and Viterbi Decoding of CRFs and added support for Linear Chain CRFs layer over Neural Networks in the Flux Machine Learning Library.
- Implemented the state of the art end to end sequence labelling models using CNNs, BiLSTMs and CRFs CNN-Bi-LSTM and Bi-LSTM-CNN-CRFs with the APIs of Flux Library. (link)
- Built well tested practical APIs for Named Entity Recognition and Part of Speech Tagging using Neural sequence labelling models.

## **Key Projects**

#### • WordTokenizers.jl: Tokenizers for Natural Languages

- Guide: Dr Lyndon White

The package provides with a variety of word tokenizers and sentence segmenters for various Natural Languages in Julia. The package also provides with an API and its various lexer functions that let the users generate custom high-speed tokenizers with ease. The software provides a variety of prewritten word tokenizers as well. These include a tweet tokenizer, a general purpose NLTK tokenizer, an improved multilingual Tok-Tok tokenizer and a reversible tokenizer.

### • DigiCon: Parsing handwritten Medical Prescription

The gold-winning entry out of 13 entries to the Opensoft Competition, IIT Kharagpur (Intra - University Event). The project intelligently parses a doctor's hand-written prescription using OpenCV, Flask, Natural Language Processing with Stanford CoreNLP, CoreNLP REST API, bash scripting and Docker. Worked majorly on the backend, using Natural Language Processing and Image Processing techniques for extracting and parsing the medical prescription.

#### Coursework

Completed	Programming & Data Structures   Algorithms   Discrete Structures   Software Engineering
	Probability And Statistics   Formal Languages & Automata Theory   French   Symbolic Logic
OnGoing	Linear Algebra   Compilers   Algorithms II   Knowledge Modelling & Semantic Technologies
	Computer Organization and Architecture
Online Courses	Deep Learning Specialization   CS224n: Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning
	Fundamentals of Reinforcement Learning

## **Technical Skills**

Programming Languages	Proficient: Python   Julia   C/C++
	Competent: JavaScript   Octave   Golang   Java
Libraries / Frameworks	OpenCV   Numpy   Pandas   Scikit-Learn   Tensorflow   Keras   PyTorch   Flux.jl
Systems / Platforms	Git   Linux   Bash   Heroku   Unity Game Engine   শ্রেচ্
Web / Server / Database	HTML   CSS   Flask   Requests   Jekyll   Hugo   Selenium   BeautifulSoup   MySQL

#### Miscellaneous Side Projects

**Kronos:** Built a WebApp to serve past year's grade distributions of the various courses offered at IIT Kharagpur. Wrote the project was done using Flask, Javascript and Bootstrap.

**Tethering Wiki to ERP:** Wrote a WikiBot, linking the metakgp wiki with the institute's ERP for automatically updating the wiki pages with data after each semester.

Rental Store Software: (Guide: Dr Sudip Misra)

Built a Rental store software by applying software engineering principles as a part of coursework. The project was written in Java using Swing and MySQL.

TinyC Compiler: (Guide: Dr Partha Pratim Das)

A compiler for Tiny C, a self-defined subset of the C language, built using Compiler principles and techniques in C++ with Flex for Lexical Analysis and Bison for Semantic parsing.

## **Relevant Open Source Contributions**

CorpusLoaders.jl: A variety of loaders for various NLP corpora.

- Added support for various corpora like Senseval, CoNLL, WikiGold.
- Made numerous significant contributions to the package in the form of documentation, CI test and codebase.

TextAnalysis.jl: A Julia Package for Text Analysis.

- Fixed the statistical summarizer, Part of Speech Tagger, Naive Bayes Classifier and Rouge score.
- Ported BM-25, Latent Semantic Analysis model and wrote an API for conversion between tagging schemes.
- Gave the documentation a major revamp and added offline documentation to the codebase.

**Hercules:** A REST API written in GoLang to provide details about IIT Kharagpur's academic data. Worked on writing the data scrappers for the API.

**DataDeps.jl:** A Julia package for managing data dependencies, allowing a reproducible setup. Worked on fixing bugs and tests in the package.

## **Activities and Leaderships**

#### Kharagpur Open Source Society, Executive Head

May'18-Present

- Worked towards promoting Open Source culture in and around the institute. Successfully organized Open Source Summit 2019 in the Asia's largest techno management fest, Kshitij.
- Curated the contents of and Taught in Git Workshop and GoLang & Concurrency Workshop in Open Source Summit 2019. Successfully organized and mentored in workshops on Python, Git, Ubuntu.

## Kharagpur Winter of Code, Full Stack Developer

Nov'18-Jan'19

- Successfully organized and conducted Kharagpur Winter of Code 2018 with over 2000 registrations. Responsible for development, deployment and maintenance of the website as well as the smooth going of the program.
- Mentored in the 5-week long Google Summer of Code-styled program for students who were new to open source development.

#### Metakgp, Maintainer

Feb'19-Present

- Active Contributor and maintainer for the Metakgp wiki, documenting the knowledge of the institute, IIT Kharagpur.
- Successfully conducted various activities like Demo Days and Hack Days to promote hacker culture and foster collaboration within the institute campus.

#### **Open Source Maintainer**

Mar'18-Present

• Actively involved with the maintenance of open source repositories in the organisations - JuliaText (The JuliaLang Organisation for NLP, Information Retrieval and Computational Linguistics), Kharagpur Open Source Society and Metakgp, IIT Kharagpur.

## **Achievements**

May 2018	First position in OpenSoft Competition 2018, IIT Kharagpur	
April 2018	Awarded for excellent academic performance in the first year by the Department of Computer Science and	
	Engineering, IIT Kharagpur.	
Dec 2017	Attended a weeklong winter workshop on Image Processing and Path Planning.	
May 2017	Ranked 249, among the top 0.12 percentile in IIT Joint Entrance Exam Advanced-2017(IIT-JEE)	
April 2017	Ranked 488, among the top 0.05 percentile in Joint Entrance Exam Mains-2017(IIT-JEE Mains)	
April 2017	Kishore Vaigyanic Protsahan Yojana(KVPY) Scholar, program by Department of Science & Technology India.	
December 2015	First rank in Regional Mathematics Olympiad held in Zone Uttarakhand.	
August 2017	Member of the National Sports Organization (NSO) Tennis under the Government of India.	
August 2017	Kharagpur Freshers Tennis Tournament : Third position.	
Jan 2018	Attended a 3 Weeks long coaching camp for tennis arranged by Gymkhana, IIT Kharagpur	