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Academics

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

Research Interests

Machine Learning | Deep Learning | Natural Language Processing | Computer Vision

Research Experience

Apr 19 - | Google

Google Summer Of Code, 2019: JuliaText

FluxML, The Julia Language

Aug 19 | Guide: Dr Lyndon White and Mr Avik Sengupta

- Added support for Linear Chain Conditional Random Fields in the Flux Machine Learning Library and implemented Viterbi Decode algorithm.
- Explored state of the art end-to-end deep learning models for practical sequence labelling APIs using CNNs for Character Embeddings, Word Embeddings, Bi-LSTMs and Conditional Random Fields. (link)
- Built well tested practical APIs for Named Entity Recognition and Part of Speech Tagging with Neural sequence labelling models as backend.

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 generalpurpose 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 by Coursera Stanford's CS224n:Natural Language Processing	
	with Deep Learning CS231n: Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition	

Technical Skills

Programming Languages	Proficient: Python Julia C/C++
	Competent: JavaScript Octave Java R Verilog
Libraries / Frameworks	OpenCV Numpy Pandas Scikit-Learn Tensorflow Keras PyTorch Flux.jl
Systems / Platforms	Git Linux Bash Heroku Unity Game Engine 上下EX
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 Senseval, CoNLL, WikiGold corpora.
- 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	Part of the contingent to win the General Championship Technology 2018 in the intra campus event.	
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	