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Bachelors of Technology in Electronics and Communication GPA: 8.23/10.0

Research & Work Experience

Improving upper bounds of Policy Iteration Algorithm in RL [paper]

Feb-June 2023

Guide: Prof. O.P. Vyas

IIIT Allahabad

2020-2024

- + Proved exponentially better upper bounds for number of steps taken by Policy Iteration Algorithm determine the optimal policy in deterministic Markov Decision Processes by counting tadpole subgraphs
- + Partially resolved a conjecture about Howard's PI taking at most order Fibonacci steps on 2action MDPs by establishing upper bounds for DMDPs

Towards validation of RTL passes of the GCC compiler

Jan-June 2023

Guides: Prof. O.P. Vyas

IIIT Allahabad

- + Analysed the various Register Transfer Language (RTL) optimization passes in GCC-4.7.2 and implemented a **block-by-block** validation technique to validate program transformations done by the passes
- + Realized obligations based on the return values, heap memory and function calls of programs in the **Z3 Theorem Prover** tool to prove semantic equivalence between different control flow graphs (**CFGs**)
- + Studied the internal workings of GCC-4.7.2 compiler and developed various plugin tools for analysis

Shipping and Distribution Demand Forecasting

Jan-May 2022

Guide: Prof. Sunny Sharma

IIIT Allahabad

- Build data pipelines for data coming from multiple like the Quandl API and a SQL database.
- Performed an exploratory data analysis on the built dataset, derived insights, and presented it to the stakeholders on Jupyter Notebook and Tableau.
- Modelled the data using decision tree-based regression models.

Factor Timing and Sector Allocation using Regime Switching Models

Jan-May 2022

Guide: Prof. Sunny Sharma

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- Used Hidden Markov models for asset allocation in sectors and dynamic factor ETFs under the assumption of 2 regimes.
- Pioneered an easy-to-use strategy building framework to support dynamic deployment & modification of strategies during live trading using trader inputs in C++. Used the factory pattern to extend the reflection system for all strategy components.
- Backtested portfolios had higher Sharpe, lower skew, kurtosis, drawdown compared to benchmark and baseline models.

Technical Skills

Programming C++, C, Python, Java, PostgreSQL, Latex

Web Development HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Django, PHP, Bootstrap, jQuery

Kubernetes, MATLAB, Simulink, Git, Android Studio, AWS, Amazon EC2,

Softwares Docker, Git

Libraries Numpy, Pandas, Grafana, Transformers(GPT)

Key Courses: Advanced Operating Systems, Distributed Systems, Computer Security, ML for Signal

Processing, Efficient & Predictive Vision, Knowledge-driven Natural Language Generation, Advances in Intelligent and Learning Agents, Advanced Machine Learning, Functional Programming Languages, Web Search & Information Retrieval, Digital Image Processing, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Graphics, Graph Theory

Teaching & Mentoring Experience

- Teaching Assistant, Distributed Systems Manage the course website, grading and assignments. Conduct weekly office hours to handle doubts in person.
- Teaching Assistant, Applied Machine Learning- Manage the course forum and clear doubts of the students in the online course. Conduct weekly office hours to handle doubts in person.
- + **Teaching Assistant** Selected to manage and clear doubts in a class of 100 first-year students for the basic undergraduate course on Computer Programming and Utilization. Coordinated with the Computer Science Department to conduct regular **lab sessions** & **evaluate exam papers**

Other Notable Projects

Self-Supervised Embedded Speech Emotion Recognition

Aug-Dec 2021

Guide: Prof. O.P. Vyas

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- + Implemented and trained a **Siamese NN** to distinguish emotions between 2 input speech samples with **test accuracy** 82% on the **CREMA-D** speech dataset
- + Used the trained Siamese neural network to identify emotions of unseen classes with upto 54% accuracy
- + Trained a classifier based on embeddings learned from the Siamese NN with upto 81% validation accuracy

Plausible Password Generation using Generative Models

Jan-June 2020

Guides: Prof. Shiv Ram Dubey

IIIT Allahabad

- + Explored and analysed the latest methods used to evaluate and guess passwords
- + Devised and implemented methods to evaluate a password based on the metrics of **guessability** and **memorability** and used them to compare the generative models developed
- Designed methods to take old passwords as input and generate new stronger passwords using different generative models implemented using RNNs, variational autoencoders (VAEs) and Grammar VAEs

Near-Optimal Arm Identification in Continuum-Armed Bandits

July-Nov 2019

Guide: Prof. Shiv Ram Dubey

IIIT Allahabad

- + Derived a general lower bound for the probability of choosing an epsilon-optimal arm from the continuous-armed bandits problem, based on simple regret for any mean probability distribution of the arms
- + Explored various fixed and adaptive sampling strategies and experimented empirically over various mean functions to observe simple regret

Awards and Scholastic Achievements

| + Secured All India Rank 575, 354, 658 in Codeforces contests, out of 12,000 competitors | (2023) |
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| + Secured All India Rank ~8000 in IIT JEE Mains among 1.2 million candidates | (2020) |
| + Got rank in 1000 in Meta-Hackercup Round 1 2023. | (2023) |

+ Global Rank 221 in Google Kick Start Round E 2022 (2022)

+ Ranked 300th in a electronic trading contest(Python) held by Jane Street at UNSW in 2022 (2022)

Relevant Coursework

- Computer Networks
- Computer Organization
- Distributed Systems
- Adv. Compiler Optimizations
- Operating Systems
- Modern Cryptology
- * Functional Programming
- Computer Architecture
- * Compiler Design
- * Data Structures and Algos
- * Programs Proofs and Types
- Computer Systems Security