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Summary

Engineering Student in his 3rd year at IIT Kharagpur and an Aspiring researcher. A sincere and dedicated student. Interested in Artificial Intelligence. Past experience working with Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision and Robotics. Currently exploring Reinforcement Learning and Control. Beginner-level grasp over topics in Electronics and Communications.

Education

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

B.TECH+M.TECH(DUAL DEGREE) IN ELECTRONICS AND ELECTRICAL COMMUNICATION WITH A MINOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Kharagpur, India

Mar. 2018 - Present

- Cumulative Grade Point- **9.32/10.0**, Additional Cumulative Grade Point- **9.83/10.0**, after 5 semesters.
- Among the top 6% students at IIT Kharagpur in terms of cumulative grade point.

Kendriya Vidyalaya

HIGHER SECONDARY

New Delhi, India

Mar. 2016 - Mar. 2018

- Qualified AISSCE Examination with a percentage of **97.4%**.
- Key subjects - Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Chemistry.

Skills

Programming Languages

Python, C++, C, MATLAB

Relevant Coursework

Natural Language Processing, Image Processing, Algorithms, Reinforcement Learning, AI for Robotics

Other Coursework

Digital Electronics Circuits, Control Systems Engineering, Digital Speech Processing

Work Experience

Complex Networks Research Group(CNERG)

RESEARCH INTERN

Kharagpur, India

Feb. 2020 - Present

- Worked under Prof. Animesh Mukherjee on a multimodal deep learning project.
- Developed models capable of recognising hateful content in memes, with image and text context.
- Developed UI tools for studying and analyzing hateful content.

Aerial Robotics Laboratory, IIT Kharagpur

SOFTWARE AND AI TEAM MEMBER

Kharagpur, India

Mar. 2019 - Present

- Responsible for seamless functioning of the research group under the guidance of Prof. Somesh Kumar, IIT Kharagpur.
- Developed various image processing tools for object recognition and image understanding using OpenCV.
- Worked on SLAM, Localisation, Path-Planning and State estimation for aerial robots using sensor(LIDAR, camera) data in ROS framework.

Honors & Awards

COMPETITIONS

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| 2020 | 11th Rank , out of total 3173 participants, Hateful Memes Detection challenge, NeurIPS | Vancouver, Canada |
| 2020 | Finalist , Top 3 out of a total 80 Qualifying teams, Flipkart GRID 2.0 Robotics Track Competition | Bangalore, India |
| 2019 | Winners , among 14 teams from 11 countries, IMAV-2019 Indoor Competition | Madrid, Spain |
| 2019 | Gold Medal , among total 20 teams, Inter-Hall Data Analytics Competition | IIT Kharagpur, India |

ACADEMIC

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| 2018 | 1155th Rank / 2.5L students , JEE Advanced Examinations | India |
| 2018 | 983rd Rank / 14L students , JEE Mains Examinations | India |
| 2018 | 452nd Rank / 50K students , KVPY-SX Fellowship Examinations | IISC, India |
| 2017 | 375th Rank / 50K students , KVPY-SA Fellowship Examinations | IISC, India |
| 2017 | Qualified , RMO(Regional Mathematics Olympiad) | New Delhi, India |
| 2016 | Qualified , NTSE(National Talent Search Examination) | NCERT, India |
| 2016 | 24th Rank , National Science Olympiad | SOF, India |

Projects and Research

Drone Racing Optimisation

Aerial Robotics Lab, IIT Kharagpur

RESEARCHER

Jun. 2020 - Present

- Work done as a part of Drone-Acharya Team, IIT Kharagpur for the Flipkart GRID-2.0 Robotics Track Competition: Autonomous Indoor Drone.
- Working on an Imitation-Learning based algorithm for fast Quadrotor trajectory planning using DAGGER.
- Deployed expert minimum-snap trajectory generation on a custom environment built on Unreal Engine using Microsoft AirSim Simulator.
- Currently, Drone-Acharya is among the top 3 finalists out of total 80 qualifying teams in the ongoing competition.

Detection of Hateful Memes in Social Media

CNERG, IIT Kharagpur

RESEARCH INTERN

Feb. 2020 - Present

- Ranked 11th/3173 participants in NeurIPS-2020 challenge: Hateful Memes Detection, organised by Facebook AI.
- Performed Pretraining and Finetuning of cutting-edge Multimodal Attention-based models like Visual-BERT and Concat-BERT.
- Experimented with different weak-supervised and self-supervised training techniques like negative supervision.
- Performed model calibration using Monte-Carlo Dropout Technique.

Warehouse Inventory Management using UAVs

Aerial Robotics Lab, IIT Kharagpur

RESEARCHER

Jun. 2019 - Oct. 2019

- Developed an algorithm for autonomous warehouse inventory management using UAVs for the 11th International Micro Aerial Vehicles competition and conference(IMAV-2019).
- Developed the OCR tools and for accurate detection of alphanumeric codes using google's Tesseract library and QR-codes using Zbar library for inventory management of boxes in a warehouse, obtaining 96% detection.
- Devised a traversal algorithm using coloured frames for localisation on a DJI-Tello microdrone.
- This project won us the first place in IMAV among 14 teams from across 11 countries, which also made us the first team from India to ever win at IMAV. A paper on our text detection algorithm was presented at IMAV-2019 conference.

Detection of Camouflaged Objects using Quadrotor

IIT Kharagpur

RESEARCHER

Dec. 2019

- Worked done as part of the IIT Kharagpur Technology team for the 8th Inter-IIT Tech Competition.
- Developed a ROS-integrated camera-based detection module for a search-and-rescue quadrotor.
- Developed an algorithm capable of detection and tracking of camouflaged objects in real-time from heights ranging from 2 to 10 metres.

Publications

Warehouse Management Using Real-Time QR-Code and Text Detection

Madrid, Spain

11TH INTERNATIONAL MICRO AERIAL VEHICLES COMPETITION AND CONFERENCE(IMAV), 2019

Oct. 2019

- Development of the computer vision tools for efficient inventory management of packages in a warehouse using a quadrotor.

Talks

Self-Supervised and Weak-Supervised Techniques to improve Hateful Memes Detection

Vancouver, Canada

HATEFUL MEMES CHALLENGE SESSION, 34TH CONFERENCE ON NEURAL INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEMS(NEURIPS), 2020

Dec. 2020

- Discussed various techniques to improve classification of memes using multimodal BERT models

Extracurricular Activity

Student Welfare Group

IIT Kharagpur, India

MENTOR

Dec. 2020 - Present

- Guiding first year students from the dept. of Electronics and ECE through the online semester, and helping them navigate through academics and extra-curriculars at IIT Kharagpur.

Hall Tech Team - Software

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VICE-CAPTAIN

Sept. 2020 - Present

- Co-Leading the hall tech team to for all software related projects and competitions.

Winter School of AI and Robotics

IIT Kharagpur, India

MENTOR

Dec. 2019

- Mentored over 50 first and second year students in the Computer Vision workshop under IEEE Winter School of AI and Robotics organized by Technology Robotix Society in association with Centre for Artificial Intelligence, IIT Kharagpur.
- Subjects covered were basic spatial image processing, basics of path planning and blob detection algorithms.

Hall Band

Kharagpur, India

KEYBOARDIST

Jul. 2018 - Mar. 2019

- Qualified Trinity College Keyboard grade-2 and grade-4 practical examinations with scores of 84 and 73 respectively.
- Played accompaniment pieces for multiple band performances across different genres.