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Examination	University	Institute	Year	CPI / %
Post Graduation	IIT Bombay	IIT Bombay	2022	7.81
Graduation	MAKAUT	Heritage Institute of Technology	2018	7.85
Graduation Speciali	zation: Electronics & Comm	nunication Engineering		
Intermediate	CBSE	D.A.V Public School	2014	86.80%
Matriculation	ICSE	Splendour High School	2012	89.28%

#### AREAS OF INTEREST

Wireless Communication
 Machine Learning
 Deep Learning in Image & Speech Processing

#### **PUBLICATION**

#### IEEE | ONLINE PARTIAL SERVICE HOSTING AT THE EDGE

ICCCN 2021, Greece

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- Key novelty of this work is that we allow **Partial hosting** which enables fraction of the query to be served.
- $\circ$  Proposed a **Dynamic policy**  $\alpha$ -**Retro Renting** and provided its performance guarantees at the edge server.
- $\circ$  Conducted extensive **Monte-Carlo** & **trace driven simulations** to demonstrate the performance of  $\alpha$ -RR.
- $\circ$  Found several parameter regimes where  $\alpha$ -RR's ability to store partially greatly improves cost-efficiency.

## MAJOR PROJECTS AND SEMINARS

## • On the Latency & QoS in Haptics simulation using Video Streaming over Wi-Fi

Guide: Prof. Nikhil Karamchandani, EE Dept., IIT Bombay | M.Tech Project

(June 2021 - Present)

- o **Objective:** To develop algorithm for remote control and rendering of graphics for high bandwidth application.
- Studied Operator/Tele-Operator based **Haptics** application to perform remote based pottery making.
- Built a reliable UDP Protocol for Multi-media applications in C++ from scratch.
- Measured one way packet latency in a congested environment using Marzullo's Intersection Algorithm.
- Studied the cause of packet drop in low reliable UDP protocols with **Wireshark**.
- Implemented Packet marking for priority access to a certain type of traffic for ultra fast transmission.

# • High Throughput, Ultra-low latency Multimedia over Wi-Fi

Guide: Prof. Nikhil Karamchandani, EE Dept., IIT Bombay | M.Tech Seminar

(July 2020 - Dec 2020)

- Studied the effect of **prioritizing traffic** in latest **IEEE 802.11ax** wifi, while maintaining **fairness** and **QoS**.
- Studied practical design choices to find optimal configuration of scanning process for delay optimization.
- Explored the use of Wi-Fi (IEEE 802.11n/r) network for remote control of a vehicle using **video transmission** on the uplink and **control signals** for the actuator on the downlink.

### Geolife Trajectory Data Analysis for content caching

Guide: Prof. Nikhil Karamchandani, EE Dept., IIT Bombay | Research Project

(May 2020 - Dec 2020)

- Developed tools for pre-processing and map simulation from 180+ GPS Taxi data of Beijing City.
- Implemented K-means clustering of data points using Voronoi tessellation to the original city map.
- Used a greedy Fractional Knapsack approach for caching content on a limited available cache size.

## KEY ACADEMIC PROJECTS

#### • Speech to Sign-Language (with emotions) for the Hearing-Impaired

Guide: Prof. Preeti Jyothi, CSE Dept., IIT Bombay | Automatic Speech Recognition

(Jan 2021 - April 2021)

- Objective: Convert Speech to Sign Language, by first converting to English text and predict the emotion.
- Achieved 72% accuracy by training a ConvNet on RAVDESS audio samples to detect emotion from speech.
- Used to a Conformer-based pre-trained model from ESPNET-model zoo, for Speech2Text.
- Created a **streamlit**, based UI to record audio and display the corresponding predicted text and emotion.
- Routing Information Protocol (RIP) using C | Self Project | Communication Networks (Jan 2020 Apr 2020)
  - Objective: To implement RIP using socket programming (in Linux).
  - Implemented RIP (Distributed Bellman Ford Algorithm) using C socket programming that read a given network topology and generated the cost matrix for the shortest paths between the nodes.

#### • Flash No-Flash Photography

Guide: Prof. Suyash P.Awate, CS Dept., IIT Bombay | Digital Image Processing

(Aug 2020 - Dec 2020)

- Implemented denoising and detail transfer to merge the ambient qualities of the no-flash image with the high-frequency flash detail, using cross-bilateral filtering.
- Performed white-balancing to change the color tone of ambient images, continuous flash to interactively adjust flash intensity, and red-eye removal to repair artifacts in the flash image.

### • Facial Emotion Recognition using Deep Learning

Guide: Prof. Preeti Jyothi, CSE Dept., IIT Bombay | Foundation of Machine Learning (Aug 2020 - Dec 2020)

- Used FER-13 dataset which comprises a total of 35887 pre-cropped, 48-by-48-pixel grayscale images.
- o Trained various CNN models like VGG-16, Inception, Alex-Net and studied the evolution of their performance.
- o Deployed our best model, VGG-16, with 5 emotions for real time prediction using opency cascade classifier.

### • Attrition Classification | Self Project | Machine Learning

(Aug 2020 - Dec 2020)

- o Objective: To predict whether an employee will leave the company or not based on 33 information points
- o Achieved accuracy of 88.47% by training SVM (Support vector machine) classifier on Kaggle dataset.
- Extracted relevant and less correlated features and applied One-Hot Encoding for features with multi-classes.

#### • Support Vector Machine | Self Project | Machine Learning

(Aug 2020 - Dec 2020)

- Objective: Implement the modified SVM algorithm in the paper titled **Pegasos**: **Primal Estimated** sub-**GrA**dient**SO**lver for SVM using NumPy.
- Use SVM classifier on linear data and kernelized-SVM on non-linear data.

#### • Feed Forward Neural Network

Guide: Prof. Preeti Jyothi, CSE Dept., IIT Bombay | Foundation of Machine Learning (Aug 2020 - Dec 2020)

- Objective: Predict the release year of a song from a set of timbre-based audio features extracted from it. Songs are mostly western, commercial tracks ranging from 1922 to 2011, with a peak in the year 2000s.
- o Implemented a Feed Forward Neural Network for regression task using NumPy from scratch.
- Performed different data pre-processing steps like feature scaling, selection etc. to improve overall accuracy.
- Achieved an accuracy of 88.84% by training our neural network regressor on Kaggle Dataset.

#### • Automatically Recognizing Swahili Speech using Kaldi Toolkit

Guide: Prof. Preeti Jyothi, CSE Dept., IIT Bombay | Automatic Speech Recognition

(Jan 2021 - Jun 2021)

- $\circ~$  Built improved  $\mathbf{monophone}~\mathbf{HMMs}$  and tied-state  $\mathbf{triphone}~\mathbf{HMMs}$  for speaker recognition.
- $\circ$  Implemented different smoothed **Ngram** models with the help of **SRILM** tools trained on **Swahili** corpus.
- $\circ~$  Explored the effect of data augmentation by speed perturbations and reestimated tied triphone models.

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: C, C++, Python, HTML | Operating Systems: Windows, Linux
- Tools and Software: MATLAB/GNU Octave, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Pandas, NumPy, GNU Radio.

## POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

• Institute Interview Coordinator | Institute Placement Team, IIT Bombay

(Nov 2019 - Dec 2019)

- $\circ$  Coordinated with a team of 250+ members for interviews of 1600+ students over a period of 16 days.
- $\circ\,$  Assisted in conducting Pre-Placement Talks, Placement Tests and Interviews for  ${\bf 15+\ firms.}$

• Mess Councillor | Hostel Affairs Team, IIT Bombay

(July 2019 - April 2020)

- $\circ \ \mathbf{Supervised}, \ \mathbf{coordinated} \ \& \ \mathbf{managed} \ \mathrm{the} \ \mathrm{planning} \ \& \ \mathrm{execution} \ \mathrm{of} \ \mathrm{food} \ \mathrm{needs} \ \mathrm{for} \ \mathbf{600} + \ \mathrm{hostel} \ \mathrm{students}.$
- Ensured quality meals at minimum cost, utmost hygiene with zero-waste management system.
- o Organized & participated in various cultural, technical and sport events for Hostel-4 IIT Bombay.

## RELEVANT COURSES

- Statistical Signal Analysis
- Digital Image Processing
- Optimization & Real Analysis

- Fundamentals of Machine Learning
- Automatic Speech Recognition
- DSP & its applications

- Digital Message Transmission
- Wireless & Mobile Communication
- Communication Networks

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- Secured 98.86 percentile in GATE-19(Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering) among 104782 candidates.
- Awarded Hostel Organization Special Mention, for exemplary contribution to hostel throughout the year.
- Won Gem of the General Championship (MDGC-2019) for Hostel-4, IIT Bombay as part of Dramatics team.
- Interests and Hobbies: Cricket, Badminton, Table tennis, Listening to music.