Gopi **Kishan**

Machine Learning Enthusiast

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"What I can not create, I do not understand."

Summary

A curious computer scientist in making trying to find answers and solutions for problems in Artificial Intelligence. Familiar with Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning and Computer Science Fundamentals, with a specific interest in Computer Vision, Bayesian Learning and Representation Learning. Easily excited by mathematics, music and tea.

Education

Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee
Roorkee, India

B.Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering — *2017 - Exp. 2021*

- CGPA: 9.1/10

Cambridge Public School, Raxaul
Raxaul, India

Grade 12 (Senior Secondary Level) — *2017*

- Percentage: 90%

Cambridge Public School, Raxaul
Raxaul, India

Grade 10 (Secondary Level) — *2015*

- CGPA: 10/10

Experience

Indian Institute of Science (IISc)
Bangalore, India

Research Internship — *May, 2019 - July, 2019*

- Summer Research Internship under the guidance of Prof. Debasish Ghose.
- Part of the Guidance, Control and Decision Systems Laboratory (GCDSL) at Department of Aerospace, IISc.
- Worked on model compression techniques.
- Experimented with pruning, weight matrix factorization, quantization and knowledge distillation on DNN and autoencoders.
- Explored latent representation priors in Variational AutoEncoder. Github *link*.

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay
Mumbai, India

Internship — *June 2018 - July 2018*

- Summer learning based internship under Dr. Biplab Banerjee
- Associated with VIP lab under CSRE department IIT Bombay
- Worked on Face detection algorithms (RCNN, Fast-RCNN, Faster-RCNN, YOLO) on VGG-16 architecture and trained on Widerface dataset.

Projects

Reproducibility Challenge
NeurIPS 2019

Competitive Gradient Descent — *Nov 1, 2019 - Dec 1, 2019*

- My role is to reproduce and inspect the performance of the baselines reported in the paper.
- I plan to re-implement the baselines in pyTorch (originally in julia) and perform rigorous ablations / hyper-parameter tuning.

PunyNet
DeepMind, hosted at NeurIPS

MicroNet: Large-Scale Model Compression Competition — *May, 2019 - Oct, 2019*

- This project aimes at efficient inference on CIFAR100 dataset by compressing the model size.
- Quantized a resnet18 model by learning a codebook C that minimizes the difference between the output activations and their reconstructions.
- Detailed decription and code is available *here*.

Self Balancing Bot using RL
IIT Roorkee, India

Project under ARIES, IIT Roorkee — *October, 2018 - March, 2019*

- This project aimes at stabalising a two wheeled robot using Reinforcement Learning.
- Q-learning algorithm is used to train the bot in virtual environment made using gym and pyBullet.
- Detailed decription and code is available *here*.

One shot learning using siamese network

Roorkee, India

ACM IITR

Jan. 2019 - Apr. 2019

- Built a face recognition siamese network using one shot learning implemented in keras trained on omniglot dataset.
- Description and code present on *Github*.

Honours & Achievements

2017 **All India Rank - 1114,** JEE Advanced, administered by Indian Institutes of Technology

2017 **All India Rank - 2700,** JEE Main, taken by more than a million students.

2019 **Flipkart Grid-Challenge,** Under top 5 at IITR (and 36th in India).

2019 **Micronet Challenge,** TPU Credits Awardee, Awarded to global top 25 proposals.

AIChallenges

Microsoft AI Challenge

India

Organised by Microsoft

December 2018

- phase 1 : Involved improvement in classical page rank algorithm.
- phase 2 : Involved exploration of NLP based technique to find relevant search results on bing search engines.

PanIIT Challenges

India

Organised by Tata Consultancy Services Limited (TCS)

Jan. 2019

- Built a tuberculosis detection andriod app based on Deep Visual Attention using TFLite.

Skills

Programming	Python, C++, JAVA, C, Javascript
Frameworks and Packages	Tensorflow, Keras, scikit-learn,, openCV, gym, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib
Utilities	Git, Linux Shell, Vim
Relevant Courses (online)	Deeplearning.ai Specialization (by Andrew Ng), csn231n (for Computer Vision) csn229 (for Machine Learning), RL course by David Silver, stat110 (for Probability and Statistics)
Books Referred	Deeplearning by Goodfellow, Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning by Bishop, Reinforcement Learning : An Introduction by S. Sutton
Courses	Mathematics-1 (covered Linear Algebra and Calculus), Optimization Techniques, Discrete Structures, Data Structures and Algorithms

Extracurricular Activity

Artificial Intelligence and Electronic Society (ArIES)

IIT Roorkee, India

Core Member

May 2019 - PRESENT

- Here, I am currently working on robustness against Adversarial Attacks. I am studying various attacks and defence mechanisms with a particular interest in vision models.
- I am also competing in the Inter-IIT Data Science challenge.
- Alongside, I am mentoring the project "Translational Tools" for SHRISTI, an Annual Technical Exhibition of IIT Roorkee.

ACM-IIT Roorkee Chapter

IIT Roorkee, India

Moderator

July 2019 - PRESENT

- Connected with Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) network.
- As Linux discussion moderator, my responsibility is to organise discussions on Linux OS for freshers and sophomores.

Smart India Hackathon Grand Finale

India

Organised by MHRD, India

2019

- Built a Blockchain based complaint system to assist fixing water wastage issues.

References

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