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## INTERESTS

Natural Language Processing, Information Extraction, Document Intelligence, Machine Learning

## EDUCATION

- **Bachelor of Technology, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay** July 2017 - April 2021  
Major in Electrical Engineering and Minor in Computer Science and Engineering  
Cumulative GPA: **9.56/10.00**

## PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

- [1] **Inderjeet Nair**, Natwar Modani. **Exploiting Language Characteristics for Legal Domain-Specific Language Model Pretraining**. ACL Rolling Review (Meta-Review Score: 4/5) - To be submitted to EACL 2023. [LINK]
- [2] **Inderjeet Nair**, Aparna Garimella, Balaji Vasan Srinivasan, Natwar Modani, Niyati Chhaya, Srikrishna Karanam, Sumit Shekhar. **A Neural CRF-based Hierarchical Approach for Linear Text Segmentation**. Submitted to EACL 2023. [LINK]
- [3] Shubham Anand Jain\*, Rohan Shah\*, Sanit Gupta<sup>†</sup>, Denil Mehta<sup>†</sup>, **Inderjeet Nair<sup>†</sup>**, Jian Vora<sup>†</sup>, Sushil Khyalia, Sourav Das, Vinay J Ribeiro, Shivaram Kalyanakrishnan. **PAC Mode Estimation using PPR Martingale Confidence Sequences**. In *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS '22)*, 2022. [LINK] (Acpt. Rate: 30%)
- [4] Natwar Modani, Anurag Maurya, Gaurav Verma, **Inderjeet Nair**, Vaidehi Patil, Anirudh Kanfade. **Detecting Document Versions and Their Ordering in a Collection** In *International Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering 2021 (WISE '21)*, pages 405-419, Springer, Cham, 2021. [LINK] (Acpt. Rate: 24%) [**Best Paper Runner-up Award**]

## PATENTS

- [1] **Inderjeet Nair**, Akshay Singhal, Kumud Lakara, Pritika Ramu, Vikas Balani, Anandhavelu N. **Minimally Guided Semantic Extraction** [Accepted for Filing]
- [2] **Inderjeet Nair**, Natwar Modani. **Exploiting Legal Domain Characteristics for Legal Language Model Pretraining** [Accepted for Filing]
- [3] **Inderjeet Nair**, Natwar Modani. **Integrated Reading Experience for Contracts and their Amendments** [Filed] (US Patent App. 17/954,558)
- [4] Ayush Maheshwari, **Inderjeet Nair**, Navita Goyal, Natwar Modani, Ani Nenkova. **Assisted Review of Text Content using a Machine Learning Model** [Filed] (US Patent App. 17/549,270)
- [5] Natwar Modani, Vaidehi Patil, **Inderjeet Nair**, Gaurav Verma, Anurag Maurya, Anirudh Kanfade. **Systems for Generating Indications of Relationships between Electronic Documents** [Filed] (US Patent App. 17/534,744)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Research Associate - Adobe Inc. (Big Data Intelligence Lab)** Jul 2021 - ongoing  
*Group:* Multimodal Content Group *Bangalore, India*
  - \* Engaged in several projects involving Document Intelligence, Natural Language Processing, Legal AI
  - \* Ideated several industrial use cases that were well received by business executives and developed accurate and efficient machine learning algorithms for them
  - \* Submitted papers, filed patents, gave talks on my projects, and ran tutorials that everyone found helpful
- **Research Intern - Adobe Inc. (Big Data Intelligence Lab)** Apr 2020 - Jul 2020  
*Topic:* Document Families: Finding Lexical and Semantic Relations between Documents *Natwar Modani, Gaurav Verma*
  - \* Designed a robust and performant framework for detecting version, prerequisite, and similarity relations among documents
  - \* Formulated a **topic-modeling** based approach to determine dependency relations between documents without using an external knowledge base
  - \* Engineered a flask-based server that neatly displays relations between documents in the user-uploaded directory

- Bagged **Best Paper Runner-up Award at WISE '21** and filed a patent

## • Production Engineer - StampMyVisa

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Contributed extensively to the development of a Cross-platform compatible mobile application with integration of **Fire-base messaging service** and **Razorpay** in **React-Native**
- Leveraged **Nodejs**, **MongoDB** and **Express** in the development of the backend server and implemented the Web application portal in **React-Typescript**

## KEY PROJECTS

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### • A Neural CRF-based Hierarchical Approach for Linear Text Segmentation

May 2022 - August 2022

*Adobe Research*

- Formulated a novel approach for inducing **linear segmentation** based on **hierarchical topical segmentation**
- Proposed first supervised technique for hierarchical segmentation using **CRF** to explicitly model the statistical dependency between a node and its constituent child nodes
- Utilized **Chomsky Normal Form (CNF)** theory to design an algorithm to convert a generic hierarchical structure to **Binarized form** and vice-versa to ensure tractable computation of tree structure CRF objective
- Compiled a vast corpus of over **700K** Wikipedia articles using automated methods for providing ground truth hierarchical structures and designed a novel data augmentation technique to boost model performance

### • Legal Domain-Specific Language Model Pretraining

May 2022 - August 2022

*Adobe Research*

- Proposed a novel approach involving **legal domain-specific objectives** for language model pretraining unlike domain agnostic approaches like MLM and Auto-Regression over legal corpus
- Formulated an objective to optimize the model in understanding the components of the **templated language** used in legal frameworks and proposed a data curation strategy for this task
- Demonstrated superiority of this approach over several standard legal downstream tasks

### • Towards Improved Document Consumption

August 2021 - Present

*Adobe Research*

- Envisioned a novel system that personalizes a document based on user specifications, involves innovative navigation technologies, and allows the user to adaptively personalize it with minimal user interactions
- Bagged **special-mention award** at Adobe's Hackweek competition which was participated by over 70 teams
- Well received by several Business Unit leaders at Adobe and plans are underway for **productization**

### • Assistance in Contract Review

August 2021 - Present

*Adobe Research*

- Formulated machine learning systems for several use cases pertinent to contract review:
  - Integrated reading experience for master contract and its amendments
  - Automated review of agreements by detecting rights and responsibilities and risky clauses
  - Developed legal language model that boosts performance across several legal downstream tasks
- Filed **3 patents** and submitted a paper to a top-tier conference

### • Estimating the Winner of Elections using Confidence Sequences

Jan 2021 - July 2021

*Prof. Shivaram Kalyankrishnan*

*Dept. of CSE, IIT Bombay*

- Formulated mode estimation algorithm using **Prior-Posterior Ratio martingale confidence sequences** to validate the winner of an election in the fewest number of samples
- Validated the effectiveness of our approach by performing extensive empirical analysis in the task of winner estimation of an election in single and multi-constituency setting
- Derived tight asymptotic bounds for our sample complexity and showed that our stopping rule is asymptotically optimal

### • Generative Modelling for Joint Task of Classification and Anomaly Setection

August 2020 - July 2021

*Prof. Suyash Awate*

*Dept. of CSE, IIT Bombay*

- Formulated a **deep learning generative mixture model** which employs **min-max GAN learning** along with **Expectation Maximization** algorithm to model the distribution associated with the input data
- Incorporated innovative techniques like **Noise Stabilization** and **Spectral Normalization** to mitigate the problem of discriminator overfitting when the number of samples was limited
- Demonstrated the effectiveness of our approach across several real-world datasets like MVTEC, BCCD, etc.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant for *Differential Equations (MA207)* course at IIT Bombay 2019
- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant for *Physics of Electricity and Magnetism (PH107)* course at IIT Bombay 2019

## MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

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- **Few-shot NER:** Proposed novel **Prompting Mechanism** for improved performance when the annotated data is limited
- **Information Extraction from Infographics:** Compiled synthetic Infographic data for enhancing the performance of infographic element detectors and incorporated a supervised model to find the reading order among them
- **Automated Measurement of OP AMP Parameters:** Developed relay-based switching circuitry for the measurement of 4 major parameters using **LabVIEW** and **NI DAQ**
- **Robust Video Denoising:** Implemented Low Rank Matrix Completion Method involving minimal assumptions for noise
- **Pipelined Processor:** Implemented 6 staged pipelined processor with 15 instructions in VHDL by integrating robust hazard handling mechanisms such as **Data Forwarding** and **Stalling**

## SKILLS

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- **Languages** Python, C++, Javascript, Typescript, MATLAB, VHDL
- **Packages and Frameworks** Pytorch, Pytorch Lightning, Huggingface Transformers and Datasets, Tensorflow, ReactJS, React Native, NodeJS, Express, MongoDB, Redux

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Secured 5<sup>th</sup> rank in MHT-CET among 3,89,520 participants 2017
- Offered fellowship under Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVYP), conducted by Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, with **All India Rank 249** 2017
- Secured **99.195** Percentile in JEE Advanced 2017 out of 1,59,540 candidates and placed in top **0.1%** of JEE Mains 2017 among 12,00,000 applicants 2017
- Ranked in **national top 1%** in National Standard Examination in Physics and placed in **statewise top 1%** in National Standard Examination in Chemistry 2016-17

## RELEVANT COURSES

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- **CS and ML Courses:** Medical Image Computing, Foundations of Intelligent and Learning Agents (and Advanced), Speech and Natural Language Processing and the Web, Advanced Topics in Machine Learning, Advanced Image Processing, Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing, Computer and Network Security, Operating Systems, Computer Networks, Data Structures and Algorithms
- **Math Courses:** Applied Linear Algebra, Markov Chains and Queuing Systems, Probability and Random Processes, Data Analysis and Interpretation, Complex Analysis, Differential Equations I & II, Linear Algebra, Calculus

## SERVICES AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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- Reviewer at EMNLP 2022
- Volunteered as a Web Co-ordinator at Entrepreneurship Cell 2018, IIT Bombay by contributing extensively in the development of Android Application and in the revamp of main website
- Delivered a talk on legal language model pretraining in Adobe's Mini-Summit 2022 and led a tutorial on distributed computing using Pytorch
- Engaged in social service activity via National Service Scheme for over 80 hours