

# Prithvijit Chattopadhyay

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## EDUCATION

### DTU

DELHI TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY  
B.TECH IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING  
2012-2016 | Delhi, India  
CPI: 81.30

### K.V. GOLE MARKET

Grad. May 2012 | Delhi, India

## LINKS

Github:// [Prithvijit](#)  
LinkedIn:// [Prithvijit](#)

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Advanced Analog Circuit Design  
Digital Electronics  
Microprocessors  
Network Analysis and Control Systems  
Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning  
(Research Asst. & Teaching Asst)  
Electrical Drives

## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

C++ • Python • Matlab • Lua •  $\text{\LaTeX}$   
Shell • Javascript • CSS • PHP

### SOFTWARE

Caffe • Torch • Keras • TensorFlow  
ROS • PCL • OpenCV • Qt • Spark  
CUDA

## PUBLICATIONS

- DTU AUV ROBOSUB Journal, AUVSI Journal 2013
- Passive Source Linear Localization Algorithms using Range Approximation methods, IOTA IEEE DTU 2014

## ARXIV

- Counting Everyday Objects in Everyday Scenes

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

### DEEP LEARNING, COMPUTER VISION, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, ROBOTICS

- I am interested in the study of Scene Understanding Problems
- I am also interested in the interpretability aspect of Deep Learning Models

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### CVMLP LAB VIRGINIA TECH | RESEARCH ASSISTANT

June 2015 – Present | Blacksburg, VA

Working with Prof Devi Parikh and Prof Dhruv Batra, currently visiting researchers at Facebook AI Research, on Semantic Scene Understanding Problems.

- Counting Everyday Objects in Everyday Scenes - We study the numerosity of object classes in natural, everyday images. We utilize the property of subitizing and propose a novel contextual counting model. Paper out at <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1604.03505v2.pdf>
- Scene Graphs - Building structured representations of images for Visual Question Answering and Visual Dialogue. Building Neural Structured Prediction models that output structured objects with end-to-end backprop
- EvalAI - An open source platform to host AI challenges. Supported by CloudCV, we shall be hosting the VQA Challenge for CVPR 2017. I am writing the backend code for parallelized evaluation corresponding to the challenge metrics using Map-Reduce Techniques

### RRC IIIT HYDERABAD | RESEARCH INTERN

Dec 2014 – Jan 2015 | Hyderabad, INDIA

Worked with Prof K Madhava Krishna. We implemented an efficient strategy for a robot to explore, discover, recognize and navigate to a selected few objects among a number of objects scattered on the floor, based on guess from far and recognize from near strategy. Built software stacks on ROS (in C++) for efficient machine navigation governed by vision.

### IACS KOLKATA | RESEARCH INTERN

Jun 2014 – Aug 2015 | Kolkata, INDIA

Worked with Prof Soumitra Sengupta. My specific focus was looking for Charged Rotating Black Hole Solutions in Einstein-Gauss-Bonnet Dilaton Coupled Gravity. I studied and simulated the conditions for existence of multiple horizons in constant scalar curvature  $f(R)$  gravity and acquired results demonstrating the convergence of event and cosmological horizons.

### AUTONOMOUS UNDERWATER VEHICLE DTU | UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER

Aug 2012 – Aug 2016 | Delhi, INDIA

Worked with Prof R K Sinha.

- Underwater Acoustics - Developed and Implemented Range Estimation Algorithms for Passive Source Localization from TDOA values in conjunction with Machine Vision Techniques.
- Control Systems - Designed control modules of the AUV. Implemented simultaneous PID loops to maintain orientation of the AUV.

## PROJECTS

### DELHI TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY | UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR PROJECT

Spring 2016 | New Delhi, India

Implemented several baseline Visual Question Answering (VQA) Models and compared their performances.

- Started off as building models to answer the 'how many?' questions and implemented a DeepDream-based qualitative experiment using GoogleNet to study the compositionality characteristics of counting models. Given a base image, used the DeepDream framework to generate images for a given class and studied the count variations of related classes
- Implemented the VQA - LSTM + CNN baseline model, Hierarchical Co-attention and subsequently the then state-of-the-art Multimodal Compact Bilinear Pooling VQA and Visual Grounding model in torch and prepared demonstrations using Django and PyTorch

### DELHI TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY | UNDERGRADUATE MINOR PROJECT

Spring 2015 | New Delhi, India

Implemented a multi-stage pipeline for scene understanding using Scene Classification and Video Magnification Techniques (Setup from CSAIL MIT) as a minor project during coursework. Different Stages included basic scene classification techniques using GIST features followed by superpixeling to detect and identify objects and using video magnification to study subtle movements

### DELHI TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY | UNDERGRADUATE MINOR PROJECT

Fall 2014 | New Delhi, India

Attempted a solution to the Rendezvous Problem in robotics using curve-evolution techniques. The idea being to study the state-space evolution of agent coordinates in the field when the curve joining them is subjected to the curve-evolution equation. Prepared demonstrations for the same in MATLAB

## AWARDS

|         |   |  |
|---------|---|--|
| 2013    | Semi-Finalists                                  | ROBOSUB - AUVSI                                |
| 2013    | Finalists                                       | NIOT SAVe                                      |
| 2012-14 | Awarded   | Merit Scholarships for Academic Performance    |
| 2012    | Selected  | KVPY and INSPIRE Fellowship                    |
| 2013    | National Top 1 percent                          | INPhO Physics Olympiad                         |
| 2012    | Selected among 22 students all over the country | B.Stat course at Indian Statistical Institute  |
| 2010    | Selected  | CSIR Programme for Youth Leadership in Science |

## EXTRA-CURRICULARS

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|-----------|--------|------------------------|
| 2013-2016 | Member | Astronomy Club DTU     |
| 2012-2016 | Member | Corporate Team DTU-AUV |
| 2012-2016 | Member | IEEE DTU               |

## INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

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|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Astronomy         | Astro-photography              |
| Playing Tabla     | (Indian Percussion Instrument) |
| Critical Analysis | Movies and Plays               |