

Education

Panjab University, Chandigarh, India

Bachelors of Engineering in Information Technology

CGPA: 9.24/10

May 2019

- Third position in B.E. program in Information Technology Department (120 students). 2015-2019

Experience

Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad, India

Visiting Researcher

Jan 2019-Present

- Mentor: [Dr Vineeth N Balasubramanian](#)
- Conducting research in Vision and Language applications and introduced a new task, **ViQAR: Visual on Answering and Reasoning**, which focuses on automatic generation of the answer, and of a rationale, given a visual query.

Celestini Project India

Research Intern

June-August 2018

- Mentors: [Dr. Aakanksha Chowdhery](#) (Google Brain and Tensorflow) and [Prof. Brejesh Lall](#) (IIT Delhi).
- Developed a temporal forecasting solution based on the historical data reported by Central Pollution Control board to predict the real-time and fine-grained air quality information in five locations of Delhi.
- [Blog post](#), [Indian press](#) and [Demo youtube video](#).



Variance.AI

Summer Intern

June-August 2017

- Worked on developing a method to determine the breathing rate and pulse rate of a person using video as a source by making use of **Eulerian Video Magnification Algorithm**.

Publications

- Radhika Dua**, Sai Srinivas, Vineeth N Balasubramanian. **Beyond VQA: Generating Multi-word Answer and Rationale to Visual Questions**. Submitted at **ECCV 2020**. 
- Divyam Madaan*, **Radhika Dua***, et al. **VayuAnukulani: Adaptive Memory Networks for Air Pollution Forecasting** accepted at **GlobalSIP2019**. [\[code\]](#) 

Coursework

- Data Structures and Algorithms
- Operating Systems
- Digital Image Processing
- Compilers
- Linear Algebra and Probability
- Computer Networks
- Software Engineering
- DBMS
- Neural Networks and Deep Learning, Convolutional Neural Networks by deeplearning.ai on Coursera.

Other Awards and Activities

- Serving as a Volunteer for **ICML 2020** and **ACL 2020**.
- Recipient of the prestigious **Grace Hopper Celebration India (GHCI) 2018** Student Scholarship given to 250 deserving women students from computing, engineering, and IT backgrounds.
- Awarded **Second Prize in Celestini Project India** by **Marconi Society and Google** for our project on Air Pollution Prediction. **Celestini Project India 2018** is a very competitive internship program where only 8 out of 100 extremely talented applicants are selected.
- Recognized as **India's 91 Brightest Engineering Student** by **Economic Times Campus Stars 2018-19**. It was a four-phase program in which 91 students out of total 37,000 students were selected.
- Sub-Reviewer for **SDM 2020** (SIAM International Conference on Data Mining (SDM20)).

* denotes equal contribution

- **Teaching Assistant** for Deep Learning for Computer Vision (CS5370) course and Advanced Topics in Machine Learning (CS6360) course at IIT Hyderabad instructed by Dr. Vineeth N Balasubramanian.
- Reviewer for **Grace Hopper Celebration (GHC) 2020** Scholarship.
- **Open Source Contributions:** Contributed to Open Source Organizations like GNOME, Publiclabs, etc. Projects for which I reported and fixed bugs includes Gnome-web, Gnome-usage, Gnome-games, Shared-mime info.
- Speaker at **codechef campus chapter UIET** (2016-17) where I took programming sessions for junior year students. Speaker at **Software Freedom Day 2017**, Panjab University, which aims to motivate the youth to contribute to open source software and pursue an education in STEM fields.
- **Hackathons:** Won hackathons like **Hack In The North 2017**-The largest student hackathon in India (Prize: **Second** and Reward: **27000**), **Hack Infinity 2017** (Prize: **Second** and Reward: **25000**) and **India Hacks 2017** by Hacker Earth (Prize: **Sixth** out of 35000 and Reward: **10000**)
- Mentor at **Hacksprint** version2 Hackathon at Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- **First Position** in B.E. First Year and Fourth Year in Information Technology Department.
- **Fellow Campus Ambassador** in **Campus Geek Ambassador program by GeeksforGeeks** (2017-18).
- Volunteer for the **National Service Scheme** at Panjab University: Participated in several events like plantation drive, cultural events for the people with physical aids, among many others.

Programming Skills

- **Languages:** Python, C++, C, HTML, SQL, \LaTeX
- **Others:** Git, PyTorch, Tensorflow, NumPy, Scikit-learn, NLTK, SciPy, Matplotlib, Pandas, OpenCV

Projects

- **ViQAR: Visual Question Answering and Reasoning** We introduced a new task, ViQAR, in which the model generates the complete answer and rationale. We also proposed an **end-to-end, attention-based encoder-decoder architecture** to solve this task, and showed that our model generates strong answers and rationales through qualitative and quantitative evaluation, as well as human Turing Test.
- **Air Pollution Prediction** A method is proposed to predict the air quality of next 24 hours by **predicting the concentration of different air pollutants** like sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, particulate matter etc for Delhi region. We also identify the source of pollution at different instants of time by predicting the major pollutant in the air. [\[code\]](#)
- **Squeeze-and-Excitation Networks** Coded and reproduced the results of the SE-Resnet in pytorch. SE-Resnet is made of **Squeeze-and-Excitation (SE)** block that adaptively recalibrates channel-wise feature responses by explicitly modelling interdependencies between channels. [\[code\]](#)
- **Neural style transfer** Reproduced the results of the Neural style transfer paper in pytorch. Style transfer is the technique of recomposing images in the style of other images.
- **Breathing and Pulse Rate using Camera** A mobile phone or web camera based computer vision project which uses the **Eulerian video magnification algorithm** to predict the breathing and pulse rate of the person. [\[code\]](#)
- **Automated Irrigation, Pests and Diseases Detection:** This project aims in providing an optimal solution for irrigation. Designed and implemented automated irrigation using **Blaney-Criddle Method** using **Indian Space Research Organization datasets**. Predicted pests and diseases using neural networks with temperature, humidity and rainfall as inputs. Validated pests and diseases detection using Convolution neural networks.
- **Aid For Blind:** This is a simple web app which will **assist a blind** about the view in front of him and accordingly he will be able to take decisions about his motion. This web app will provide a blind person all the conveniences in order to use this app because the communication will be mostly through the speech eliminating the issues of reading or writing. [\[code\]](#)