Ramit Pahwa

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EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

Salutatorian, Int. Masters of Science in Mathematics and Computing CGPA: 8.95

Kharagpur, India

Aug. 2014 - April. 2019

St. Aloysius Senior Secondary School

Valedictorian, GPA: 95.4 % in 12th

Jabalpur, India

April. 2012 - July. 2014

St. Aloysius Senior Secondary School

Valedictorian, GPA: 10/10 in 10th

Nishant Nikhil, Ramit Pahwa et al.

Jabalpur, India

April. 2002 - July. 2012

Publication

Lstms with attention for aggression detection. [Code] [Paper]

Santa Fe, New-Mexico, USA

TRAC, Coling 2018

Data-Driven Compression of Convolutional Neural Networks. [Code] [Paper]

Ramit et al. ACM Manuscript

Model Blending for text classification. [Thesis]

Ramit et al.

PATENT

AutoQA: Auto-creation of Custom NLP models using NAS using KD.

USPTO

Ramit Pahwa, Atul Gupta, Varun Bhatia, Gaurav Dubey

Under Internal Review

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer, Adobe

Noida

Manager: Varun Bhatia, Dr. Sunav Choudhary, Dr. Vishwa Vinay

July 2019 - June 2022

- o Acrobat Android: Working on enabling PDF editing functionality to mobile devices, Liquid Mode enabling ML based mobile re-flowing of PDF on device, Read Aloud [text to speech], Neural topic modelling using Deep Learning, Question Answering System for PDF, Enterprise Deployment, Javascript support for PDF rendering engine.
- o Tech Summit: My work was selected across Adobe for presenting in Adobe Tech Summit 2021 due to it's organization wide application.
- Patent: 'AutoQA: Auto-creation of Custom NLP models using Neural Architecture Searching using Knowledge distillation 'Under Internal Review

Master's Thesis: IIT KGP & Adobe Research

Kharagpur

Guide: Prof. Debjani Chakraborty, Prof. Jayanta Mukhopadhya, Dr. Vishwa Vinay

August 2018 - August 2019

- o Distillation: Transferring the knowledge of Recurrent Neural Network to Convolutional Neural Network using model blending. Reducing the complexity of model by a factor of 15x. To be submitted to NAACL, 2022
- o Paper: Preprint 'Model Blending for text classification'

Adobe Research

Bangalore

Research Intern, Guide: Dr. Sunav Choudhary

May 2018 - July 2018

- Knowledge Distillation: Worked on developing a system for compressing state of art CNN without loss of performance using Reinforcement Learning.
- Compression: Modeled a Markov Decision Process [MDP], to systematically compress deep CNN.
- Publish: Paper 'Data-Driven Compression of Convolutional Neural Networks'
- Key Learning: Pytorch, Docker, Dash, Reinforcement Learning, Optimization Techniques, Problem identification

University of Alberta

Edmonton, Canada

Research Scholar, Guide: Prof. Dana Cobzaz

May 2017 - July 2017

- Object Detection: Implemented a Faster R-CNN model for Localization of Femoral Head in Ultrasound Images.
- o Segmentation: Implemented a U-net for segmentation on high dimensional ultrasound data.
- Pipeline: Ideated and implemented an end to end training regime involving localization and segmentation.

o Key Learning: Keras, AWS, Computer Vision, Image Processing

Risk Latte Hong Kong

AI Intern, Manager: Rahul Bhattcharya

December 2017 - January 2017

- **Portfolio Management**: Created a model for portfolio hedging, portfolio optimization, and price forecasting. Also creating a strategy backtesting engine used for simulating and backtesting strategies.
- Interactive Tool: Implemented a web application used by hedge fund managers for portfolio management.
- o Key Learning: Flask, VBA(Excel Programming), Python, Portfolio management strategies.

Myntra Bangalore

Research Intern, Manager: Mr. Vishnu Makkapati

May 2016 - July 2016

- Deep Metric Learning: Implemented Triplet and Siamese network to search for similarity among images for search.
- Visualization: Developed a flask app for fetching similar images based on the learned metric.
- Key Learning: Caffe, Python, Flask, Git

PROJECTS

- Karna: Started Deep Learning group at university
- Re-colorize: Automated tool to re-colorize grey-scale image and videos.[Code] [Demo]
- Advance Numerical Techniques: Implementation of PDE solvers using Numerical Techniques [Code] [Report]
- Regression: Autoregressive Convolutional Neural Networks for Asynchronous Time Series [Code]
- Optimization Library: Implementing various Optimization Techniques for Operations Research [Code]
- <u>Julia</u>: Implementing the Arnoldi method for solving sparse matrices.
- Recommendation System: Music and Movie recommender systems using collaborative filtering on public datasets.

SMALL PROJECTS

- <u>Transformer</u>: Implemented transformer architecture from scratch [Code]
- Knowledge Distillation: Implementation of Knowledge Distillation for CNN's [Code]
- <u>Cramer</u>: Implementation of portfolio hedging, portfolio optimization. Profit Maximisation through Asset Liability Management [Code]

Programming Skills

- Machine Learning: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Caffe, scikit learn, Microsoft Azure
- Languages: Python, Javascript, C++, SQL, Java, Julia, IATFX, HTML, CSS
- Technologies: AWS, React, Dash, Flask, OpenCV, Github, Bitbucket
- Platforms: Windows, MacOS, Linux
- Others: Bash, Git, Andriod

ACHIEVEMENTS

- INSIPRE: Recipient of the prestigious Innovation in science pursuit of Inspired Research Scholarship.
- UARE: Recipient of the University of Alberta Research Experience.
- KVPY: Recipient of the prestigious Kishore vaigyanik protsahan yojana Scholarship
- **JEE Advanced**: Ranked amongst top 1.5% of the 150,000 students
- **JEE Mains**: Placed in 0.05% of 1,400,000 engineering aspirants
- Junior Science Olympiad: Ranked 5th amongst 500,000 apirants

Coursework

- Machine Learning: Deep Learning [fast.ai], Machine Learning [Stanford], Image Processing, Statistical Learning [Stanford]
- Computer Science: Graph Theory, Cryptography, Object Oriented Design, Data Base Management Systems, Computer Architecture, Systems Programming
- Mathematics: Probability and Statistics, Probabilistic Optimization Techniques, Multi Objective Optimization Linear Algebra, Discrete Mathematics, Advance Numerical Techniques, Operations Research, Real and Functional Analysis, Measure theory, Finite automata

Kharagpur Artificial and Neural Algorithms

Co-founder

September 2017 - Present

• KARNA: I was responsible for founding where I promoted to research in AI, which resulted in numerous workshop publications

Entrepreneurship Cell

Senior Manager

September 2014 - April 2015

- Global Entrepreneurship Summit: I was responsible for leading a 3-tier team to organize the Global Entrepreneurship Summit for more than 1500 participants.
- Finance Head: Responsible for managing Cell fund in excess of 50 lakhs.
- o Empressario: Organized India biggest Business Model Competition.
- o Entrepreneurship Awareness Drive: Organized Awareness drives in 23 cities in India.
- Website: Developed the website from scratch using PHP, Bootstrap, HTML and CSS.

Alumni Cell

Associate Manager

September 2014 - April 2017

- Alumni Meet: Organize events for more than 300 alumni around the year.
- Sponsorship: Raised sponsorship for the events in excess of 10 Lakh.