

Pursuing a **Minor** degree in **Artificial Intelligence** and **Data Science** from **C-MInDS, IIT Bombay**

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Achieved **99.81 Percentile** in **JEE-Main** out of over 1 million candidates (2021)
- Secured **All India Rank 1207** in **JEE-Advanced** out of over 0.14 million candidates (2021)
- Secured **AP(Advanced Performer)** grade for excellent performance in **PH 108-Basics of Electricity & Magnetism**, awarded to 27 out of over 1300 students taking the course (2022)
- One of the **17 out of 1400+** students to secure a **Change of Branch** to the department of **Computer Science and Engineering** owing to excellent academic performance in first year at IIT Bombay (2022)
- Secured **All India Rank 275** in the prestigious **KVPY (Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojna)** SX and awarded fellowship by the Department of Sciences, **Indian Institute of Science(IISC)** Bangalore (2021)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Applied AI Researcher at Brance Technologies

(Summer 2023)

- Developed and implemented performant chatbot systems using **vector embeddings** for data retrieval and **Large Language Models** for question-answering, resulting in significantly improved user experience and engagement
- Utilized **Haystack** framework and **FAISS** to efficiently index and store proprietary data, leveraging **vectorDBs** to store the embeddings. Utilized **Hugging Face models** to form the entire **retrieval pipeline**, including **document reranking**, resulting in improved relevance and accuracy of the retrieved information for chatbot responses
- Implemented **Locality-Sensitive Hashing (LSH)** to create a highly **performant caching system** to cache user queries that utilizes **semantic search**, optimizing the speed, accuracy, and efficiency of data retrieval for chatbot
- Leveraged **Nginx** and **FastAPI** on an **AWS EC2** instance to ensure seamless communication, and reduced latency for the chatbot system. Utilized **async calls** and FastAPI's scalability for smooth data retrieval and processing

KEY PROJECTS

Stable Diffusion from Scratch

(Summer 2023)

Self Project

- Used **PyTorch** to independently develop and implement **each component** of a **Stable Diffusion** model on smaller datasets before using the **Hugging Face's diffuser** library to implement the final diffusion model on a larger dataset
- Implemented a **Variational Autoencoder (VAE)** and trained it on the **Fashion MNIST** dataset using **reconstruction loss** and **KL-Divergence loss**, enabling accurate reconstruction of inputs and latent space interpolation
- Implemented a **Diffusion U-Net** architecture with **timestep embeddings** and **self-attention** and used it to implement both unconditional and conditional **DDPM(Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models)** on the **CIFAR-10** dataset. Also used **various sampling techniques** to improve the quality of the generated images
- Implemented **latent diffusion** by utilizing the **diffuser's VAE** to encode images to **latent representations**, and subsequently trained a **DDPM** on these latents using the **LSUN churches and bedrooms datasets** to generate high-quality images. Used **FID(Fréchet Inception Distance)** scores to evaluate the quality of the generated images

Discrete Event Simulator for Bitcoin Network

(Spring 2023)

Guide: Prof. Vinay J. Ribeiro | Course Project : Introduction to Blockchains and Smart Contracts

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- Used **Pygame** and **OpenAI's Gym** to train a lunar lander game **Deep Q-Learning with Experience Replay**. Used the **Sequential API** of the Keras library to define the **Q-network** and the **target Q-network**
- Used **Tensorflow Core** to define a **custom loss function** and a **custom training loop** using **GradientTape** to train the model. Used **epsilon greedy policy** to select the action with some amount of random decisions
- Utilized a **deque** for storing the experience buffer and used **experience replay** and **soft update** of the Q targets to stabilize the learning process and improve the model's convergence towards an optimal solution
- **Tuned and optimized model hyperparameters**, including learning rate, batch size, and number of episodes, epsilon, gamma, number of timesteps to achieve the best results and solved the environment within 500 episodes

FastChat

Guide: Prof. Kavi Arya | Course Project : Software Systems Lab

(Autumn 2022)

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- Developing a messaging software with **end-to-end encryption** by using **RSA+AES** to encode the messages and both **group chat** and **individual chat** support using **python socket library** and **PostgreSQL** database
- Implementing a **load balancer** with **least connect strategy** using **bash** to distribute load among multiple servers, and focusing on obtaining **high throughput** while using only **limited resources** dedicated for the servers
- Used **bash** scripts to simulate common messaging patterns and calculate **throughput** and **latency** of the system

KYC-Website

(Summer 2023)

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Deep Learning

(Autumn 2022)

Self Project

- Made a **convolutional neural network** to classify images of handwritten digits using **MNIST** dataset and also made a **GUI** to draw digits using **python Tkinter** and classify them using the model. Made three different models using **TensorFlow Core**, **Keras Functional API** and **PyTorch** and compared their performance
- Made many different types of **CNNs** to classify various types of data such as **Traffic signs recognition**, **Crack detection**, **Smile detection**, **Hand sign recognition** using **PyTorch** and **Keras Sequential API**
- Successfully implemented **transfer learning** to train a **pretrained MobileNetV2** to classify images of **alpacs** and used **data augmentation** like random rotation and flipping resulting in a highly accurate model
- Implemented **ResNet50's architecture** from scratch using **Keras Functional API** and trained it on a hand sign dataset to classify images of 6 different classes. Compared its performance to a **pretrained ResNet50 model**

OTHER PROJECTS

Machine Learning

(Autumn 2022)

Self Project

- Experience in machine learning frameworks such as **scikit-learn**, **XGBoost**, **PyTorch**, **TensorFlow**, and **Keras**.
- Using Python packages such as **numpy**, **pandas**, **matplotlib** and **seaborn** for data manipulation and analysis. Learnt about **feature engineering** and feature selection techniques to improve the performance of the models
- Learnt about the various machine learning algorithms such as **linear and logistic regressions**, **clustering using K-means**, **K-nearest neighbors** and **decision trees** and implemented them from scratch using **numpy** and **pandas**
- Proficiency in using **cross-validation** and **hyperparameter tuning** to optimize machine learning models
- Used **scikit-learn** and **XGBClassifier** and **XGBRegressor** to implement various types of classifiers and regressors to predict and classify various types of data such as **classifying flower species** and **predicting house prices**

Rail Planner

(Autumn 2022)

Guide: Prof. Supratik Chakraborty | Course Project : Data Structures and Algorithms Lab

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- Designed a simplified version of a railway planner using various data structures and analyzed the space & time complexity and the efficiency to demonstrate the **properties of different data structures in C++**
- Stored trains as a dictionary using **Hash Tables** and devised algorithms for fastest possible journeys
- Used **BSTs** and then **AVL trees** for quick searching using the journey codes and used **Tries** to implement the autocomplete feature while searching for station names and added a feature to accept reviews for journeys
- Used **Quicksort** to order trains by day and time, implemented the **KMP-string matching algorithm** for allowing review searches by using keywords and implemented **Heaps** to allow filtering the reviews by their rating

Z3 SAT Solver

(Spring 2023)

Guide: Prof. Ashutosh Gupta | Course Project : Logic for Computer Science

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- Implemented and utilized **SAT solving techniques**, specifically leveraging the **Z3 theorem prover** in Python, to formulate an effective strategy for the game **Sliding-Solver** and also handle the case of **unsatisfiability** for the game

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming	C/C++, Python, Bash, Solidity, Java, JavaScript, VHDL, Sed, Awk
Data Science	Tensorflow, Pytorch, Keras, Trax, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib
Software & Tools	MATLAB, Git, L ^A T _E X, Docker, Wireshark, Z3, Doxygen, Sphinx, Nginx, FastAPI
Web Development	HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, Bootstrap, jQuery NodeJS, ExpressJS, SQL, MongoDB

KEY COURSES UNDERTAKEN

Mathematics	Calculus, Linear Algebra, Discrete Structures, Differential Equations, Optimization Models, Logic for Computer Science, Game Theory and Decision Analysis
Computer Science	Data Structures and Algorithms [#] , Data Analysis and Interpretation, Software Systems Lab, Computer Networks [#] , Digital Logic Design [#] , Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Introduction to Blockchains Cryptocurrencies and Smart Contracts, Computer Vision

([#] Theory + Lab)

EXTRACURRICULAR

- Mentored two groups of students during the **SoC (Summer of Code)** program conducted by **WNCC, IITB** guiding them through deep learning projects and assisting in the implementation of cutting-edge research papers. (2023)
- Successfully completed one year under **National Sports Organization(NSO)** in **Chess** at IIT Bombay (2022)
- Pitched a **Business Model Canvas** for a startup in the health sector which entailed making online ambulance bookings, for the EnB Buzz competition conducted by the **Entrepreneurship cell of IIT Bombay** (2021)
- Worked in a team of 4 to make an ESP32 **WiFi-controlled** bot for **XLR8** conducted by **ERC, IITB** (2022)