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### **EDUCATION**

St. John's High School

CBSE Class X 2014

Cumulative Grade Point Average: 10/10

Sri Guru Gobind Singh Sr. Secondary School

CBSE Class XII 2016 Aggregate Percentage: 91.8%

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

B. Tech. Computer Science & Engineering

Cumulative Performance Index: 9.3/10

## **INTERNSHIPS**

The Indian Economist

Analyst · Jan 2017

Content Strategy Program

## **PROJECTS**

Competitive Machine Learning, Digit Recognition and Text Summarization Jan 2017 to Apr 2017

Supervised by the Association of Computing Activities

- Studied and implemented common Machine Learning Algorithms and Techniques. Solved the following problems on Kaggle: Titanic: Machine Learning from Disaster and Bag of Words using Scikit-Learn.
- Performed Recognition of Handwritten Digits on MNIST dataset using feed-forward neural networks, achieving 96% accuracy
- Implemented RSS newsfeed summarizer using NLTK, Gensim (Word2Vec), Tf-Idf Algorithm and Networkx Package (Page Rank)

Technical Dialog Chatbot

May 2017 to Aug 2017

Supervised by Programming Club

- Implemented a retrieval-based, short conversation, closed domain chatbot using a Dual Encoder LSTM network and trained on the Ubuntu Dialog Corpus (UDC)
- Employed LSTM and word embeddings of prior context and responses to generate a prediction, applied the sigmoid function to obtain the required probability distribution of sampled responses. Trained using binary cross-entropy loss.
- Achieved 69% average recall score using recall@2 metric and 91% using recall@5.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

National Council of Educational Research and Training  $\cdot$  Awarded National Talent Search Scholarship 2012

Qualified State Talent Search Exam, Chandigarh and National Talent Search Exam (NTSE)

Indian Association of Physics Teachers · Qualified National Standard Examination in Junior Science (NSEJS) 2013

Ranked among the top 1% of candidates

Qualified for Indian National Junior Science Olympiad (INJSO)

Indian Institute of Science · Qualified for KVPY Fellowship

2014

Qualified National Aptitude Test and Interview Round, secured AIR 484

JEE Advanced

2016

Secured AIR 179 among 2 lac candidates

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

**PROGRAMMING:** C/C++, Python, Octave

UTILITIES: Numpy, TensorFlow, Pandas, Git, LaTeX, MS Office

**OPERATING SYSTEMS:** Windows, Linux (Ubuntu)

# **RELEVANT COURSES**

Multivariate Calculus

Linear Algebra

**Ordinary Differential Equations** 

**Introduction to Programming** 

Introduction to Economics

**Discrete Mathematics** 

\*ongoing

Abstract Algebra

Logic in Computer Science

\*ongoing

Game Theory I

by Stanford University and University of British Columbia via Coursera

Machine Learning

by Stanford University via Coursera

Deep Learning

by Google via Udacity

# POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Counselling Service · Student Guide

Jul 2017 to Present

Public Relations Techkriti'18Senior Executive

Aug 2017 to Present

# **CO-CURRICULARS**

Vox Populi · Core Group Member

Sep 2016 to Present

Contributed as a writer to the campus journalism body

#### Languages

• Native: Hindi, Punjabi

• Full professional proficiency: English

• Limited working proficiency: French, German

#### Oratory

Participated in Declamations, Parliamentary Debates and MUNs.

#### Quizzing

Bournvita Quiz nationals first runners-up