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Examination	University	Institute	Year	CPI / %
Graduation	IIT Bombay	IIT Bombay	2021	*
Intermediate	Maharashtra State Board	M. H. High School, Thane	2016	82.92%
Matriculation	Maharashtra State Board	Dr. Bedekar Vidya Mandir, Thane	2014	96.20%

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

• Secured **92.69** percentile in JEE-Advanced and **98.96** percentile in JEE-Mains among all aspirants across India ['16]

• Achieved All India Rank 748 in MHT-CET among 0.14 million candidates, conducted by Govt. of Maharashtra ['16]

• Honored with the **Letter Of Appreciation** from **Minister for School Education**, Mr. Rajendra Darda of Maharashtra State for excellence in the SSC examination

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PROFESSIONAL & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

TransUnion CIBIL | Data Science Intern | Data Innovation and Research Team

[May '19 - July '19]

Credit Information company maintaining 800 million+ individual records and 50 million+ businesses records

Mumbai

- · Processed 850+ million records using Hive and Spark to map commercial entities with their individual associates
- Identified 47.8% overlap between individual loans and commercial entities using a data filtration strategy
- Analyzed trends in NPA rate, Balance Share across 20 loan types for correlation analysis of the MSME sector
- · Investigated 3 years of Repayment behaviour of borrowers for accurate risk assessment of the market
- Developed a Dynamic Dashboard in Tableau to show quarterly trends on market insights for Commercial Bureau

Joint Audio-Visual Speech Recognition | Supervised Research Exposition

[Jan '20 - July '20]

Guide: Prof. Rajbabu Velmurugan | Department of Electrical Engineering

IIT Bombay

- Deployed a novel audio-visual dataset generation pipeline to process 7.5 hr of video content in 1 hr to generate 1100+ samples
- Automated the AV dataset creation using HOG-SVM based Face Detector and 68-point Facial Landmark Detector from dlib
- Utilized FFmpeg to control frame rate, audio channels and sampling rate of the output clips, RegEx for processing transcript
- Reviewed papers on AVSR systems, studied use of visemes in the video along with audio for speech-to-text conversion
- Identified accent related flaws in Transformer based TM-CTC model and improved its WER by 30% after fine-tuning

Multi Speaker Simultaneous Speech Recognition | Master's Thesis

[Aug '20 - Present]

Guide: Prof. Rajbabu Velmurugan | Department of Electrical Engineering

IIT Bombay

- · Investigating the problem of speech recognition using audio & visual modality in a multi-speaker simultaneous speech scenario
- Future work involves using Active Speaker Detection to build an end-to-end model for multi-speaker speech recognition

KEY COURSE PROJECTS

Land Cover Classification using CNN and Random Forest

[Jan'20 - Apr'20]

Guide: Prof. B. K. Mohan | Centre of Studies in Resource Engineering

Advanced Satellite Image Processing

- Tackled Land Cover Classification on EuroSAT dataset with 27000 hyperspectral images in 13 spectral bands across 10 classes
- Implemented Decision Tree, Random Forest Classifier from scratch in Python and achieved 62.74% accuracy on test set
- Improved test accuracy to 97.72% by fine-tuning the dataset on different CNN models from ResNet, VGG series in Keras

Image Compression with Modified LZW Encoding

[July'19 - Nov'19]

Guide: Prof. Shabbir Merchant | Department of Electrical Engineering

Image Processing

- Achieved 2x faster near lossless image compression with >51dB PSNR across different benchmark images
- · Realized image compression by Clustering Correlated Pixels followed by LZW encoding from a research paper
- Implemented RLE, Huffman and LZW compression schemes in MATLAB to prove algorithm's spatial & temporal efficiency

System Modelling and Simulation

[Jan'19 - Apr'19]

Guide: Prof. P. S. V. Nataraj | Department of Systems & Control Engineering

System Modelling & Simulation

- Achieved 0.76 test MSE on a FeedForward Neural Network model in Keras for DC motor Steady-State Modelling
- · Obtained 1.03 test MSE for a multi-input multi-output (MIMO) time series LSTM model with hybrid two tank system

Automatic Speech Recognition System

[July'19 - Nov'19]

Guide: Prof. Preeti Rao | Department of Electrical Engineering

Speech Processing

- Built a Word Recognition system using vector quantized Codebook Matching, MFCC feature extraction & end-pointing
- · Achieved 75.89% accuracy on clean set and 47.65% accuracy on noisy set of Google Speech Commands dataset

Digital Hearing Aid System

[Jan'19 - Apr'19]

Guide: Prof. Vikram Gadre | Department of Electrical Engineering

Digital Signal Processing

• Developed code for Sound Manipulation Algorithm in MATLAB to simulate a digital hearing aid system

• Implemented Wavelet Denoising Filter, Amplitude & Frequency Shaper to process audiogram of the patient to tune the audio

Long Distance Polymer Optical Fiber Link

[Jan'19 - Apr'19]

Guide: Prof. Joseph John | Department of Electrical Engineering

Electronics Design Lab

- Developed the **Transceiver Module** for reliable duplex communication via POF with potential use in **FTTH** (Fiber to the Home)
- Achieved datarate up to **2 Mbps** over **50m** long POF cable from a prototype of LED based optical fiber communication link
- Tested the fabricated PCB with CPLD board using VHDL logic for text transmission and achieved 10⁻⁸ Bit Error Rate

Speech Enhancement Using Adaptive Kalman Filter

[July'19 - Nov'19

Guide: Prof. Debraj Chakraborty | Department of Electrical Engineering

Estimation & Identification

• Implemented an Adaptive Kalman Filtering algorithm in MATLAB to denoise a speech signal by constantly estimating the background noise from the observation data resulting in **3dB increment in SNR**

DPLL based SAT Solver

[July'18 - Nov'18]

Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh | Department of Electrical Engineering

Foundation of VLSI CAD

- Implemented DPLL, a Backtracking based search algorithm to solve Boolean Satisfiability problem in Python
- · Applied Unit Clause Propagation & Pure Literal Elimination before recursive literal assignment to speed up program

FM Reciever

[Jan'18 - Apr'18]

Guide: Prof. Siddharth Tallur | Department of Electrical Engineering

Analog Lab

- Implemented a BJT-based circuit to filter, demodulate and amplify the input Frequency Modulated (FM) Wave
- Designed the circuit to filter desired FM wave frequencies using variable frequency Colpitts Resonator

IITB RISC Microprocessor Design

[July'18 - Nov'18]

Microprocessors

- $\textit{Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh} \mid \textit{Department of Electrical Engineering}$
- Designed 8-bit Register, 16-bit microprocessor on VHDL to execute an ISA of 14 instructions based on Multicycle design
- Used 6-stage Pipelining for consecutive instructions with simultaneous and efficient utilization of the Datapath elements

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Data Analysis	Data Analysis and Interpretation, Probability and Random Processes, Operations Analysis*, Estimation & Identification, System Modelling and Simulation, Linear Algebra	
Machine Learning	Machine Learning Machine Learning, Advanced Topics in Machine Learning*, Machine Learning with Big Data	
Deep Learning	Deep Learning Deep Learning, Image Processing, Speech Processing, Deep Learning Specialization [†]	
Big Data	Intro to Big Data [†] , Big Data Modelling & Management [†] , Big Data Integration and Processing [†]	
Communication Systems	Communication Networks, Error Correcting Codes, Information and Coding Theory, Network Security, Communication Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Radiating Systems	

[†]Coursera, *To be completed by Dec'20

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Graduate Teaching Assistant | EE679: Speech Processing, IIT Bombay

[Aug'20 - Present]

- Responsible for managing **online logistics** and assisting the professor in ensuring smooth functioning of the course
- Assisting in evaluation of answer scripts, designing assignments and conducting tutorials for a batch of 50+ students

Services Coordinator | Mood Indigo

[Jun'17 - Dec'17]

Asia's largest college cultural festival | 141,000+ footfall | 210+ events at IIT Bombay

- Spearheaded a team of 20+ organizers for managing VIP events of authors like Ravinder Singh, Yahya Bootwala
- Negotiated and bought products and services for events at best deal and optimized overall budget of the festival
- Assisted in Choreonite, India's largest inter college stage thematic and non-thematic dance competition with 4000+ crowd

Interview Coordinator | Institute Placement Team, IIT Bombay

[Nov'17 - Dec'17]

- Coordinated with a team of 250+ members for interviews of 1600+ students
- Assisted in conducting Pre-placement Talks and Tests for 15+ firms

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Data Analysis & ML/DL PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, OpenCV, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn

Softwares & Tools Git, Tableau, Hive, Spark, Arduino, GNURadio, ADS, Eagle, Altera Quartus, ngSPICE

Programming Languages Python, C++, C, MATLAB/Scilab, SQL, VHDL, LATEX

EXTRA-CURRICULARS

Technical	Completed Competitive Programming under Season Of Code; Solved DSA Problems	[Apr'20 - Jun'20]
	Attended Analytics and Machine Learning bootcamp organized by Career Cell, IIT Bomb	pay [Jun'18]
Culturals	Secured 2nd position in the Ad-Making Competition held under Freshiezza 2016	[Aug'16]
	Received Special Mention in Spoof-a-Scene Competition held under Freshiezza 2016	[Aug'16]
	Completed Public Speaking Skills course under experts in Summer School of Cultural	[May'17 - Jun'17]
Sports	• Selected in Kho-Kho team under National Sports Organization (NSO) for two semesters	['16]
	Completed Badminton and Swimming training camps under Summer School of Sports	[May'18 - Jul'18]