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EDUCATION

Ashoka University | Sonipat, Haryana

August 2020 - May 2021

Candidate for Postgraduate Diploma in Advanced Studies and Research

Major: Computer Science

Major GPA: 0.00/4.00 | Cumulative GPA: 0.00/4.00

Relevant Coursework: Calculus*, Unstructured Information Processing*, Capstone Project: Privacy Preserving Machine learning*

Ashoka University | Sonipat, Haryana

August 2017 - May 2020

Bachelor of Science(Hons)
Major: Computer Science

Major GPA: 3.9/4.00 (16 courses) | Cumulative GPA: 3.82/4.00

Honors/Awards: Magna Cum Laude; Silver Medal for Academic Achievement; Dean's List (5 semesters)

Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning, Linear Algebra, Discrete Mathematics, Probability and Statistics, Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies,

Computer Security and Privacy, Federated Learning, Algorithms design and analysis, Computer Programming, Computer Networks

Mayo College Girls' School | Ajmer, Rajasthan

April 2017

Honors/Awards: School colours for excellence in Computer Science and Squash, Computer Science President, Squash Captain, Scholarship for securing 95% and 94% in 12th and 10th grade respectively.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ashoka University, *Teaching Assistant* | Sonipat, Haryana

August 2019- December 2020

- Appointed as a teaching assistant for three courses: Computer Organisation and Systems, Introduction to Computer Programming and Computer networks in 3 different college semesters.
- Mentored a core of 40+ students, delivered lectures, graded assignments, provided feedback to students.

Koc University, International Summer Research Intern \((Online \)

July 2020- September 2020

- Implemented Blocksim-Net, a simple, efficient, high performance, network-based blockchain simulator.
- Collaborated with a team of 4 to build this simulator which simulates bitcoin and ethereum networks along with selfish mining attacks on these networks.
- The paper was accepted and <u>presented</u> at the <u>Basarim'20</u> conference.

Ashoka University, Research and Software Development *Intern* | (Online)

June 2020- August 2020

- Developed Covidbloc, a system involving an android mobile application and a web portal that uses blockchain powered contact tracing to track and prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- Our team(of 3) submitted the proposal to the Space'20 conference.

Kings College London and Trivedi Centre for Political Data, Intern | (Online)

May 2020- August 2020

- Created an automated scraping system to extract useful documents released by the Indian government to tackle the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Implemented a document classifier to classify these documents sector wise/topic wise.
- Extracted important information by analysing these policies and displayed this information graphically.

Metlife, Data Analysis Intern | Noida, Uttar Pradesh

June 2019- July 2019

- Implemented a regression model to forecast sales of the company.
- Extracted important information by analysing these sales and wrote a report.

PROJECTS

Secure ML, Privacy Preserving Machine Learning | Python, Socket Programming, Machine learning library - Pysyft

- Implementing a linear regression model in a secure 2 party environment as per the protocols mentioned in the Secure ML paper.
- Implemented a basic Federated learning model(from scratch) on the MNIST fashion data set.

Hyperfunds, Blockchain Development | Hyperledger Fabric, Python, NodeJS, REST, Docker

• Developed a simple distributed Hyperledger <u>application</u> that can help faculty at Ashoka University reliably spend their research funds with approval from the right administrators.

Conversational Chatbot and Image Coloriser, Machine Learning | Python, Machine learning library - Keras, Tenserflow

- Implemented a conversational <u>chatbot</u> using the Cornell movie dataset and a seq2seq model with attention.
- <u>Image Coloriser</u> dealt with converting black and white images to coloured images using a convolutional neural network model and a subset of the LFW dataset.

PUBLICATIONS

• N. Agrawal, P. Ramachandran, O. Biçer, A Küpçü. 2020. <u>Blocksim-Net</u>: A Network-Based Blockchain Simulator (Journal publication in progress)

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Triquetra Squash Championship, IITD: Secured the first position in the inter-college women's individual squash championship.
- Explore ML and Big Data: Completed the certified Big Data course by Jennifer Widom and Explore ML course by Google.