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## Education

### Indian Institute of Technology Madras

2018 – 2022

*B. Tech, Computer Science and Engineering; CGPA: 9.42*

*Chennai, India*

### AECS Maaruthi Magnolia PU College

2016 – 2018

*Department Of Pre-University Education, Karnataka; 96%*

*Bangalore, India*

### National Public School, Rajajinagar

2004 – 2016

*Central Board of Secondary Education; CGPA: 10*

*Bangalore, India*

## Research Projects

### Tuning sentence-embeddings for high-recall IVFPQ search *Dr. Mitesh Khapra, Dr. Pratyush Kumar* | Aug 2021–present

- Devised a method to improve recall of IVFPQ approximate nearest-neighbour search with the goal of improved bitext mining.
- Adapted an existing differentiable product quantisation formulation to create a differentiable formulation of IVFPQ quantisation that outputs quantised representations and codes required for IVFPQ search which is e2e trainable in a neural network.
- Devised a training paradigm that allows the model to optimise sentence embeddings it generates to make them more suitable for high-recall bitext mining (when using IVFPQ indexing).

### Sample-specific attention-head masks in BERT models *Dr. Pratyush Kumar, Dr. Mitesh Khapra* | Feb – Apr 2021

- Performed experiments testing possible applications of trained sample-specific attention-head masks in BERT models.
- Developed a technique to detect adversarial inputs during test-time using their sample-specific masks using mask-inversion, layer-wise predictions, etc.
- Achieved accuracies of between 0.8055 and 0.9027 accuracy on adversarial input detection on four GLUE datasets.

## Internships

### Microsoft India (R&D) Pvt Ltd | C#, Python, Microsoft COSMOS, other internal tools

May – Jul 2021

- Created a troubleshooting-snippet disambiguation pipeline for Microsoft's *Bing* search-engine.
- The pipeline takes a set of solution snippets (scraped from various websites using existing *Bing* infrastructure) to a tech-related troubleshooting search query and filters it down to a set of semantically unique solutions for direct display on the *Bing* SERP.

### Flutura Decision Sciences & Analytics | Python, TensorFlow, Keras

May – Jul 2020

- Developed computer vision models based on *YOLOv4* and *Retinanet*.
- Created computer-vision products for multiple clients from scratch on problems including 1) autonomous defect detection in die-casted components, 2) autonomous cell-phone usage detection and 3) autonomous defect detection in printed circuit boards.

### Professor Rupesh Nasre, IIT Madras | Kotlin, Android Studio

May – Jul 2020

- Researched, scripted and created multiple instructional videos on selected topics in parallel processing.
- Created an Android app from which the videos could be viewed.

## Selected Course Projects

### automated B/W portrait colorization | PyTorch

*Professor Sukhendu Das* | Sep – Nov 2021

- Created a pipeline which performs image restoration, colorisation and enhancement using multiple published methods for photo-realistically converting B/W historical to color using few training samples.

### image2image translation | PyTorch

*Professor Anurag Mittal* | Dec – Jan 2021

- implemented, tested and benchmarked a unified framework proposed by a [CVPR paper](#) on Image to Image Translation for Domain Adaptation

### $\sigma$ -promoter classification | PyTorch

*Professor Manikandan Narayanan* | Nov – Dec 2020

- augmented a [SOTA model](#) for  $\sigma$ -promoter classification in *E. coli* by introducing attention layers and residual connections to increase accuracy by 1.6%.

### device driver | C, RISC-V

*Professor Chester Rebeiro* | Nov – Dec 2020

- Wrote a UART device driver for *ZephyrRTOS* for the RISC-V *Shakti E-class Parashu* SOC.
- Performed testing on a physical SOC unit.

### C compiler | C, x86 assembly, Lex, Yacc

*Professor Rupesh Nasre* | Jul – Nov 2020

- Wrote an compiler for a slightly stripped-down version of C using the tools Lex and Yacc.
- Wrote an LR(1) context free grammar for C and encoded it into Yacc, designed logic to carry out code generation and implemented 6 parse-tree level optimizations.

### 16-bit computer | C++

*Professor V. Kamakoti* | Jul – Nov 2019

- Created a functional computer with a simple 16 bit architecture (in a simulator) bottom-up using only NAND gates.
- Wrote an assembler, and a basic compiler for an LL(2) high-level language in C++.

## Personal Projects

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**automated attendance system** | *TensorFlow, Keras*

**May – Jul 2020**

- Created an autonomous attendance system pipeline for classrooms using the popular neural networks *MTCNN* and *FaceNet*.
- Wrote a KNN-like algorithm to match faces from a PTZ camera feed to personal identities using a database containing  $\sim 4$  photographs each of students' faces.

**process wallpaper** | *Python, Bash*

**Aug - Sep 2019**

- Wrote a set of Python and bash scripts which periodically set the desktop wallpaper to a wordcloud of the most resource-intensive processes running.
- This project became semipopular on GitHub and was mentioned on an episode of a podcast called *Linux Unplugged*.

**miniprojects** | *Python, React, Angular, nodeJS, Bash*

**Oct – Jan 2020**

- **web development** Worked on front-, and back-end development for the official website of *Saarang 2020*, the annual IIT Madras cultural fest.
- **classic games** Created clones of *Snake* and *2048*.
- **gp** Created and implemented a personal multi-platform pseudorandom strong password generation scheme
- **breaking-badify** Wrote a script which creates images of input text using symbols from the periodic table.

## Scholastic Achievements

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2020 **IAS Fellowship** Recipient of Indian Academy of Sciences Summer Research Fellowship

2020 **Flipkart GRiD 2.0 Hackathon** Declared National level Semi-Finalist

2016 **KVPY** Secured All India Rank 108 in Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (SA)

2016 **NTSE** Secured National Talent Search scholarship

2015-18 **Indian National Olympiads** National Finalist in Computing/Informatics every year from 2015 to 2018, in Astronomy in 2017 & 2018 (State rank 1, National top 1%), Physics in 2018 (State rank 4, National top 1%) and Merit Certificate for State top 1% in Chemistry

2017 **National Mathematics Talent Contest** Secured All India Rank 9 in Ramanujan contest

2016-17 **Regional Mathematics Olympiad** Selected for Indian National Mathematics Olympiad Training Camp

## Relevant Coursework

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**computer science:** Introduction to Programming (+ Lab); Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science; Programming and Data Structures (+ Lab); Foundations of Computer Systems Design (+ Lab); Languages, Machines and Computation; Design and Analysis of Algorithms; Computer Organisation and Architecture (+ Lab); Object-Oriented Algorithms Implementation and Analysis Lab; Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning; Compiler Design (+ Lab); Operating Systems (+ Lab); Paradigms of Programming; Algorithmic Approaches to Computational Biology; Foundations of Deep Learning; Reinforcement Learning; Statistical Foundations of Data Science; Computer Vision; Natural Language Processing

**mathematics:** Multivariable Calculus; Series and Matrices; Basic Graph Theory; Probability, Stochastic Processes and Statistics; Differential Equations; Linear Algebra

**online:** Machine Learning; Neural Networks and Deep Learning; Improving Deep Neural Networks: Hyperparameter tuning, Regularization and Optimization; Structuring Machine Learning Projects; Convolutional Neural Networks; Sequence Models

## Technical Skills

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**languages:** C, C++, Python, Julia, JavaScript, Bash

**software:** Linux, Git, Docker, GNU Octave, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, GIMP, Google Sketchup

**development:** HTML, CSS, JavaScript, nodeJS, ReactJS, Angular

**operating systems:** Linux, Windows

## Positions of Responsibility

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**Computer Vision and Intelligence Group**

**2019**

*Project Member*

*Indian Institute of Technology Madras*

**Developmental Operations Team, Saarang 2020**

**2019**

*Coordinator*

*Indian Institute of Technology Madras*

**Computer Science Association**

**2013 – 2014**

*President*

*National Public School, Rajajinagar*