# Ankit Sinha

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#### EDUCATION

# Indian Institute of Technology (BHU), Varanasi

B.Tech, Computer Science and Engineering

Jul 2018 - May 2022 CPI: 9.68/10.0

# SKILLS

• Languages: Python, C/C++, Java, GoLang, SQL

• ML toolkits: PyTorch, Keras, JAX

• Tech Stack: Docker, Kubernetes, Kubeflow, Bokeh, Airflow

## EXPERIENCE

#### Oracle Health & AI

Bengaluru, India

ML Engineer (IC-2) · AI Data Organisation

Jul 2022 - Current

- Currently developing an *Active Learning* pipeline for the Annotation Review Tool (ART), an internal data labelling platform with over **1K** active users. This ML capability is expected to speed up the annotation workflow.
- Successfully deployed the backend of *Synthetic Data Generation* Playground on Oracle Kubernetes Engine (OKE) and exposed it via a LoadBalancer to external traffic.
- Conducted a thorough hands-on evaluation of the Kubeflow ecosystem (Pipelines, Fairing, KFserving) for various ML workloads on Kubernetes platform.
- Designed impactful dashboards with Bokeh, to benchmark the performance of OCI Anomaly Detection service endpoints.

### iRage Capital LLP

Mumbai, India

 $SDE\ Intern\ \cdot\ Trade\ Simulation\ Infrastructure$ 

May 2021 - Jul 2021

- Implemented an end-to-end pipeline to manage Algorithmic Trade simulation jobs on a Kubernetes cluster.
- Set up and hosted a private Container Registry based off *Harbor*, a CNCF-sponsored open-source project.
- Automated the workflows for image building, image publishing, logging and job monitoring on the cluster.

#### Publications

- A.Sinha, S.Bannerjee, P.Chattopadhyay. Effective Stacking of Deep Neural Networks for Automated Product Recognition in Retail Stores. 16th International Conference on Image Analysis and Processing (ICIAP). 2022
- A.Sinha, P.Chanak. An Intelligent Vehicle Navigation scheme for Swift Movement of Emergency Vehicles in IoT-enabled Transportation System. 2022 (review)
- P.Chanak, **A.Sinha**. An IoT-enabled low-cost, portable and real-time traffic congestion monitoring device for smart transportation. *Indian Patent Application No 202111039295*. 2021 (review)

# Select Projects

#### CityLearn Challenge 3rd Edition

NeurIPS, 2022

Obj: Optimization of Grid Energy Utilisation

Competitions Track

- Initially coded a rule-based baseline controller and then implemented an RL agent (**Soft-Actor-Critic**) from *scratch*.
- Finished within the top 30%. The winning solutions leveraged energy forecasting and model-based RL.

## Headline & Sentiment Generation

IIT Guwahati

NLP Hackathon, by Bridgei2i Analytics

Inter-IIT Tech Meet

- Focused on the sub-task of extracting subject-specific sentiments from multilingual tweets.
- Collected open-source datasets, fine-tuned BERT checkpoints and trained TF-IDF based SVMs.

# Computer Vision in Retail Settings

Advisor: Dr Pratik Chattopadhyay

- Proposed a two-stage pipeline consisting of **Faster R-CNN FPN** localiser and **ResNet-18** embedder to precisely identify diverse retail items on densely packed rack shelves.
- $\circ$  Surpassed the previous state-of-the-art results by  $\approx 5\%$  and  $\approx 3\%$  on the metrics mAP@0.5 and PR@0.5 respectively.

# Document Mining & Understanding

Data Mining project

Advisor: Dr Bhaskar Biswas

- Designed an end-to-end pipeline to extract and classify scanned documents from a bulk of natural images.
- Performed OCR with tesseract, pre-processed the textual contents, encoded them as **GloVe** embeddings and finally passed into a Keras neural network for classification.

### Honors and Awards

• Silver Medal, Automatic Headline and Sentiment Generation event at Inter-IIT Tech Meet 9.0	2020
• Gold Medal, Chess Championship at Spardha'19, Institute's Annual Inter College Sports' Fest	2019
• Best Player Board 5, Inter IIT Chess Meet held at IIT Guwahati	2018
• Bronze Medal, Chess Championship at Spardha'18, Institute's Annual Inter-College Sports' Fest	2018
• Institute Rank 9, Semester 1 and awarded a change in discipline from EE to CS	2018

# Professional Development and Other Activities

- Volunteering: International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining, WSDM 2022.
- Certification: Certificate of competency in Fundamentals of Deep Learning by NVIDIA DLI.