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Education

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

Kanpur, India

B.Tech., Computer Science and Engineering

2014 - 2018

• CPI: 9.3/10.0 Awarded Academic Excellence Award for term 2014-15 and 2016-17

Bal Mandir Model Sen. Sec. School

Mandi Dabwali, India

2000 - 2014

CENTRAL BOARD FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION

• 96.2% marks in Class 12^{th} and CGPA 10.0/10.0 in Class 10^{th}

Work Experience

Goldman Sachs Bangalore, India

ANALYST | CREDIT QUANT AND ALGO TRADING

June 2018 - Present

SUMMER ANALYST | CREDIT QUANT AND ALGO TRADING

May 2017 - July 2017

- Working as a quantitative and algorithmic market making analyst with area of focus in electronic and automated trading of corporate bonds, credit default swaps and money market products.
- Developed and supported algorithms and applications that stream algorithmic prices to electronic trading platforms as well as automatically price a subset of the incoming trade inquiries based on real-time market data, product attributes and manual trader inputs.
- Designed and built robust, scalable, and maintainable systems that can handle the inevitable increased loads and collaborated with a talented peer group scattered across cross-geographic teams.

Course Tutor | IIT Kanpur

Kanpur, India

FUNDAMENTALS OF PROGRAMMING (FSC101)

January 2018 - April 2018

- Conducted weekly tutorials and lab sessions to help students in grasping the concepts along with clarifying their doubts and applying them readily to build programming solutions.
- Designed exams, quizzes and lab assignments for a class size of 470 students and supervised them with a team of teaching assistants which helped students to assess their learning of the course contents.

Key Projects

Bayes-Nash Equilibria Computation in Combinatorial Auctions

- Worked on algorithms to find approximate bayes-nash equilibria (ε-BNE) in combinatorial auctions based on a paper by Bosshard Et al.
- Evaluated a novel algorithm which separates the search phase for finding ϵ -BNE from the verification phase for computing the ϵ -BNE.
- Implemented the algorithm to accurately find BNE in a multi-minded LLLLGG domain with eight goods and six bidders.

Mechanism Design in Social Networks

- · Studied an auction design problem to sell a commodity in a social network where each individual can communicate with its neighbours.
- Analyzed an Information Diffusion Mechanism (IDM) which incentivises the buyers to propagate the information to all their neighbours.
- Proved that IDM's revenue is always greater than or equal to the revenue of Vickrey–Clarke–Groves (VCG) mechanism in social networks.

Bayesian Approaches to Learn Causal Networks

- Showed that any causal network can be represented as a special type of influence diagram using the work by Heckerman and Shachter.
- Reviewed Bayesian methods for learning acausal networks and adapted these methods for learning ordinary influence diagrams.
- Extended these methods to learn influence diagrams that correspond to causal networks under additional assumptions of mechanism and component independence.

Probabilistic Word Sense Embeddings

- Proposed a Gaussian Mixture Model for probabilistic word vector generation using prior work on Multimodal Word Distributions.
- Implemented the word sense vector generative model with senses modeled as gaussian mixtures and words as mixtures over their senses.
- Did complete inference modelled on Gibbs Sampling and reduced the number of parameters that have to be estimated by a factor of 100.

Deep Reinforcement Learning in Portfolio Management

- Tested the performance of Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient, Proximal Policy Optimization and Policy Gradient in portfolio management.
- Used risk-adjusted accumulative portfolio value as objective function and found policy gradient to be better in assets allocation.
- Assessed an adversarial training method proposed by Liang Et al. having better training efficiency, average daily return and sharpe ratio.

Other Relevant Projects

Deep Reinforcement Learning Against Pong AI

 Developed a policy gradient network and a double duelling deep Q network that eventually beats a self-coded Pong learner that makes use of Monte Carlo policy gradients, thereby learning the optimal policy directly instead of value functions.

GDP Forecasting Using Time Series Modelling

 Modelled an ARIMA process for future forecasting on India's GDP data by applying Holt Winters Seasonal Smoothing, Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test, KPSS Test, Ljung Box Test and AIC/BIC criteria for deciding process order.

Zoobar Server Security Improvements

• Exploited overflow, format string, DoS vulnerabilities and crafted browser based attacks on a dummy 'zoobar' server code, followed by improving its security by fixing code bugs and implementing principle of least privileges to separate various processes.

Java to x86 Assembly Compiler

• Implemented a Java to x86 compiler from scratch using python and ply with advanced features incorporated like short circuiting, register allocation optimization as well as object oriented programming concepts like classes.

Joint Seat Allocation Algorithm

• Designed and implemented an efficient joint seat allocation algorithm for undergraduate admission of 1.2 million students which leaves minimum number of vacancies while accounting for all the quotas, reservations, supernumerary seats, admission rules and merit lists.

Achievements

2014	All India Rank 190	, JEE Advanced	among 150	,000 students
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- 2014 All India Rank 220, JEE Mains among 1.4 million candidates with State Rank of 4
- 2013 Selected for **KVPY Fellowship** among 40,000 exam candidates
- 2013 Qualified National Standard Examination in Chemistry (NSEC) and Astronomy (NSEA)
 - Secured A* in 5 courses for exceptional performance including Computing Laboratory II,
- 2014-18
 Computer Systems Security, Microeconomics and Monetary Economics
- 2017 Won an Intra-IITK Startup Pitch Competition "Pitch Prime" during Entrepreneurship Summit
- 2018 Completed Alpha Development's Financial Training in Goldman Sachs, New York City

Relevant Coursework

Maths and Economics Linear Algebra and Differential Equations, Probability and Statistics, Applied Stochastic Processes

Time Series Analysis, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics

Machine Learning Machine Learning Techniques, Probabilistic Machine Learning, Deep Learning (deeplearning.ai)⁺,

Mathematics for ML (ICL)+, Applied Text Mining and Social Network Analysis with Python (UMich)+

Computer Systems Computer Systems Security, Computer Networks, Blockchains (SUNY-UB)+, Operating Systems,

Compiler Design, Functional Programming (EPFL)+, Principles of Database Systems

+ - Coursera Certified

Technical Skills

Programming C, C++, Python, Java, Scala, JavaScript, Haskell, Bash, R, ŁTpX, Assembly, PHP, SQL, HTML, CSS

Software / Libraries TensorFlow, Numpy, scikit-learn, Keras, Pandas, Git, Matlab, IntelliJ, React.js, Flask, Ruby on Rails, Node.js

Extra Co-Curricular Activities

Volunteer, Community Team Works (CTW)

June 2017 - Present

· Active member of Goldman Sachs' Community Team Works contributing to social as well as environmental causes.

Coordinator, Association of Computing Activities (ACA)

July 2016 - July 2017

- Served as the coordinator of computer science departmental club responsible for many department activities, events and talks.
- Floated semester long computer science projects to 150 first year students while personally mentoring 10 students.
- Conducted ACA Summer School open to students from all colleges with around 500 registered students and 5 courses.

Secretary, Programming Club IIT Kanpur

July 2015 - July 2016

• Helped the coordinators in conducting lectures, workshops and hackathons to foster the programming culture in campus.