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Ashutosh Timilsina

Education

- 2019–Present **Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science**, *University of Kentucky*, Lexington, KY, *GPA 3.917/4.0*. Dissertation title: *Peer-to-Peer Energy Trading in Smart Residential Environment with User Behavioral Modeling*
Advisor: [Simone Silvestri](#)
- 2012–2016 **Bachelor of Engineering, Electrical Engineering**, *Tribhuvan University*, Institute of Engineering, Pulchowk Campus, Nepal
Graduated with First Division
Advisor: [Arbind Kumar Mishra](#)

Technical Skills

- Languages C/C++, Python, MATLAB, SQL
- Libraries Gurobi Optimizer, NetworkX, SciPy, PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, MPI, OpenMP
- Software LaTeX, AutoCAD, ADS, KiCAD, SolidWorks, Adobe Creative Suite

Research Interests

User Behavioral Modeling, Mathematical Optimization, Machine Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Renewable Energy, Cyber-Physical Human System

Research Experience

- Aug. 2019 – Present **Graduate Research Assistant**
Cyber Physical Systems Lab (CPS Lab) – Dr. Simone Silvestri's Lab, University of Kentucky
- Working on a project titled "*Peer-to-Peer Energy Trading in Smart Residential Environment with User Behavioral Modeling*"
 - Also working on a mobile crowdsourcing project with Electric Vehicles that brings ride-sharing and energy-sharing together through task recommendation and reverse auction mechanism

Work Experience

- Apr. 2019 – Aug. 2019 **Electrical Engineer**
Nilgiri Khola Hydropower Company Ltd., Kathmandu, Nepal.
- Handled the tender process for Nilgiri 1 and 2 Cascade Hydropower Project of 110 MW capacity

- Responsible for design supervision of electro-mechanical hydropower equipment
- May 2017 – **Electrical Engineer**
- May 2019 Mandu Hydropower Ltd., Kathmandu, Nepal.
 - Responsible for design supervision and installation of electro-mechanical hydropower equipment for Bagmati Hydropower Project of 22 MW capacity
 - Supervised design and installation of 66 KV transmission line of 12 km length
 - Project commenced successfully on 2019 March
- Apr. 2019 – **Technical Officer**
- Aug. 2019 H.I.F. Renewable Energy Ltd., Kathmandu, Nepal.
 - Involved in feasibility study and designing of grid connected solar PV projects based in Nepal
 - Performed technical and financial viability of PV projects

Publications

- 2022 **Prospect Theory-inspired Automated P2P Energy Trading with Q-learning-based Dynamic Pricing ([link](#))**
Timilsina, A. & Silvestri, S. (2022).
 Submitted for review
- 2021 **A Reinforcement Learning Approach for User Preference-aware Energy Sharing Systems ([link](#))**
Timilsina, A., Khamesi, A. R., Agate, V., & Silvestri, S. (2021).
 In IEEE Transactions on Green Communications and Networking.
- 2019 **Comparative Analysis of Cell Balancing Topologies in Battery Management Systems ([link](#))**
 Khanal, A., *Timilsina, A.*, Paudyal, B., & Ghimire, S. (2019, May).
 In Proceedings of the IOE Graduate Conference, Pulchowk, Nepal (pp. 301-307).
- 2018 **Overview and Feasibility of Floating Solar Photovoltaic System in Nepal ([link](#))**
 Rai, A., *Timilsina, A.*, & Nepali, B. (2019).
 In Journal of the Institute of Engineering, 15(3), 267-274.
- 2017 **Technical Design of a Grid-Connected Photovoltaic System and Its Challenges in Nepalese Power Scenario ([link](#))**
Timilsina, A., & Paudyal, B. (2017, December).
 In 2017 7th International Conference on Power Systems (ICPS) (pp. 334-339). IEEE.
- 2016 **A Novel Approach for Wireless Power Transfer Using Magnetic Resonant Method ([link](#))**
Timilsina, A., Nepali, B., Paudyal, B., Kunwar, J. D., Mishra, A. K., Tamrakar, I., & Ghimire, S. K.

Awards

- 2015 **LOCUS 2015: Electrical Project Competition - Winner**
 Cockcroft-Walton Ladder Network Based Air Ionizer for air purification

- 2014 **LOCUS 2014: Electrical Project Competition - Appreciation**
Tesla Coil
- 2013 **NRSU: PS Young Writer Competition – Appreciation**
- 2013 **LOCUS 2013: Theme Based Competition – Token of Appreciation**
Automatic Greenhouse
- 2013 **NASA International Higher Secondary School – Honor and Appreciation**
Honored for being an excellent and outstanding student in High School

Leadership & Volunteering Experience and Other Services

- Aug. 2016 - **Nepali Student Organization – *Secretary***
Present
- Apr. 2016 – **Zerone Magazine and Zerone Scholar – *Editor and Author***
 - Contributed insightful articles to the Zerone magazine and Scholar
- Aug. 2016 Selected, proofread, and edited articles for publication
- 2014 – **Electrical Club – *Founding Member***
 - Actively involved in establishing the student organization for electrical engineering
 - Oversaw and organized several events and programs for the club
- 2012-2016 **LOCUS – *Volunteer and Participant***
 - Collaborated with executive committees and other volunteers of LOCUS
 - Largest technological fair and expo by undergraduate students
 - Participant and winner in electrical event category

Peer-Reviewer

- 2019 **International Conference on Computing, Networking, and Communications (ICNC) – Network Algorithms and Performance Evaluation (NAPE)**
- 2020 **IEEE International Conference on Smart Computing (SmartComp)**
- 2021 **International Conference on Distributed Computing in Sensor systems (DCOSS'21)**
- 2021 **IEEE Global Communications Conference (GLOBECOM'21)**
- 2021 **17th International Conference on Wireless and Mobile Computing, Networking and Communications (WiMOB-SPPDT'21)**
- 2021 **14th International Conference on Communication and System and Networks (COMSNETS'22)**
- 2022 **IEEE Wireless Communications and Networking Conference (IEEE WCNC'22)**
- 2022 **IEEE International Symposium on a World of Wireless Mobile and Multimedia Networks (IEEE WoWMoM'22)**
- 2022 **International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS'22)**
- 2022 **IEEE/ACM 30th International Symposium on Quality of Service (IWQoS'22)**
- 2022 **IEEE International Conference on Smart Computing (SMARTCOMP'22)**
- 2022 **Pervasive and Mobile Computing Journal**