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 Columbia University in the City of New York, USA MS in Computer Science Expected Dec 2017

 Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani K.K. Birla Goa Campus, India B.E.(Hons.) in Computer Science, GPA: 7.49/10 Aug 2011 - May 2015

Professional Experience

• Digital Centers Teaching Internship, Columbia University

Sept 2016 - Present

- Weekly Python programming lectures and workshops, open to everyone.

• Research Internship at TSUNAMi Center, National University of Singapore

June 2015 - May 2016

- Web and systems security, applied cryptography and distributed systems.

• Summer Internship at Bentley Systems Inc., India

May 2014 - July 2014

- Prototype and REST API development for Bentley Connect Interoperability Services

• Summer Internship at Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, India

May 2013 - July 2013

- Software Development for BHEL Online Meeting Management System

Publication & Projects

1. A Secure Sharding Protocol for Open Blockchains [Accepted: CCS-2016]

Oct 2016

- ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security, 2016
- Weblink: http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?doid=2976749.2978389
- Authors: Loi Luu, Viswesh Narayanan, Chaodong Zheng, Kunal Baweja, Seth Gilbert, Prateek Saxena

2. WeShare: A Coercion Resistant and Scalable Storage Cloud

Jun 2015 - Aug 2015

- A Google Chrome Extension to securely share files over cloud storage services.
- Github: https://github.com/bawejakunal/MyCrest

3. A Vnode Level Stackable Encrypted Filesystem

March 2015

- Implemented a local vnode level stackable encrypted filesystem using Wrapfs as a base.
- Used **AES 256 bit** cipher in **CTR** mode for encryption of filesystem contents.
- Github: https://github.com/bawejakunal/wrapfs-aes

4. Intercepting Kernel System Calls

Jan 2015

- Loadable Kernel Module to intercept the open() system call in Linux (self learning project)
- Github: https://github.com/bawejakunal/Intercept-System-Calls

5. Generalised Vector Space Model

Nov 2014

- Document ranking using GVSM, done as a course project for Information Retrieval Course.
- Github: https://github.com/bawejakunal/Generalised-Vector-Space-Model

6. Predicting Telemarketing Call Patterns

Oct 2014

- C4.5 decision tree algorithm implemented on hadoop framework to predict the marketing call patterns of a bank offering loans.

7. Bentley Connect Interoperability Services (BCIS)

May 2014 - July 2014

- Developed REST API endpoints and prototypes for BCIS to synchronize data and services among various stakeholders of an infrastructure development project.

8. Symmetric Parallel Computing Cluster for Matrix Multiplication

April 2014

- Implemented a Beowulf Cluster with 4 nodes to compute product of matrices as a course project.
- Note: Although we achieved fault tolerance for nodes, the system lacked in scalability goals.

9. BHEL Online Meeting Management System

May 2013 - Jul 2013

- Currently used by 2000 employees at Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Bhopal.
- Salient Features: email reminders, calendar updates, file uploads, employee name search
- Demo Presentation: https://goo.gl/2g8aAo

10. 8-Way Set Associative Cache with FIFO Replacement and Write Back Policy

Oct 2013

2009-2011

- A verilog implementation of cache as part of the undergraduate subject on Computer Architecture.
- Github: https://github.com/bawejakunal/Set-Associative-Cache

Teaching Experience

 Teaching Assistant f 	for Data Structures	and Algorithms (BITS Pilani	Goa Campus)	Jan 2015 - Apr 2015
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- The course was conducted for undergraduate students by Mr. Ramprasad Joshi.

• Teaching Assistant for Object Oriented Programming (BITS Pilani Goa Campus)

Aug 2014 - Nov 2014

- The course was conducted for undergraduate students by Mr. TSRK Prasad.

• Teaching Assistant for Advanced Computer Organisation (BITS Pilani Goa Campus)

Jan 2014 - Apr 2014

- The course was conducted for undergraduate students by Dr. Lucy J. Gudino.

• Teaching Assistant for Computer Programming (BITS Pilani Goa Campus)

Jan 2014 - Apr 2014

- The course was conducted for undergraduate students by Dr. Biju K. Raveendran.

Certifications, Electives & Technical Skills

- Coursera.org Certifications
 - Python For Everybody by University of Michigan (5 course specialization) [Certificate Link]
 - Machine Learning Foundations: A Case Study Approach by University of Washington [Certificate Link]
- Technical Skills
 - C, Java, Python, JavaScript, Java Server Pages(JSP), SQL, HTML5, CSS3, MVC Frameworks, Django, AWS

Achievements

• Selected as a delegate to HPAIR 2016 Harvard Conference - Selected as a delegate to Entrepreneurship Panel of Harvard Project on Asian and International

Relations Conference 2016, Harvard 2016.

Selected as a delegate to HPAIR 2014 Conference, Tokyo
 Selected as a delegate to Technology Panel of Harvard Project on Asian and International

Relations Conference 2014, Tokyo.

• Among Top 10% students in National Standard Examination in Physics Regional Round
2010, 2011

- NSEP is organised every year by **Indian Association of Physics Teachers(IAPT)** as part of selection process for **International Physics Olympiad**.

Academic Excellence Scholarship in High School
 Awarded 75% scholarship at The Emerald Heights International School for consecutively two

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Extracurricular Activities

• Photography Club Co-ordinator, BITS Pilani K.K. Birla Goa Campus 2013 - 2014

- Photography enthusiast and active member of the students' photography club on campus.

• Member, Department of Finance & Assets Mangement, BITS Pilani K.K. Birla Goa Campus 2011 - 2013

- Active member of Department of Finance & Assets Management, which regulates the finances of student bodies on campus.

• Swimming, Table Tennis