

EDUCATION

Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology

Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science and Engineering; CGPA: 9.24/10

New Delhi, India Aug. 2016 – May 2020

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Sanskriti School New Delhi, India

High School; Percentage: 93.8% 2014 - 2016

Publications

• Aditya Chetan*, **Brihi Joshi***, Hridoy Sankar Dutta, Tanmoy Chakraborty. CoReRank: Ranking to Detect Users Involved in Blackmarket-based Collusive Retweeting Activities. In *The 12th ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM 2019)*. (Acceptance Rate: 16%, CORE2018 A*)

- Hridoy Sankar Dutta, Aditya Chetan*, **Brihi Joshi***, Tanmoy Chakraborty. Retweet Us, We Will Retweet You: Spotting Collusive Retweeters Involved in Blackmarket Services. In *The 2018 IEEE/ACM International Conference on Advances in Social Networks Analysis and Mining (ASONAM 2018)*. (Acceptance Rate: 15%) arXiv:1806.08979 [cs.SI]
- Nishtha Madaan, Gautam Singh, Sameep Mehta, Aditya Chetan*, **Brihi Joshi***. Generating Clues for Gender based Occupation De-biasing in Text arXiv:1804.03839 [cs.CL]

SKILLS

- Relevant Courses: Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Semantic Web, Linear Optimization, Linear Algebra, Data Mining, Probability and Statistics, Real Analysis, Analysis and Design of Algorithms, Discrete Mathematics, ODEs, Numerical PDEs, Digital Audio,
- Languages: Python, Java, C, Bash, JavaScript
- Tools & Technologies: Git, MATLAB, scikit-learn, nltk, spaCy, numpy

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Laboratory for Computational Social Systems

Undergraduate Researcher

New Delhi, India Jan 2018 - Present

• Understanding adversarial collusive activities in OSNs:

Advised by - Dr. Tanmoy Chakraborty

- * Worked on detecting collusion on Twitter, specifically on detecting collusive retweeters via freemium blackmarket services
- * Curated an open dataset of manually annotated users from various freemium services
- * Proposed a novel set of features which beat the state-of-the-art supervised models for fake users and spam bot detection on the task of collusive user detection
- * Extended the approach by developing an unsupervised and semi-supervised approach that takes into account network features, behavioral features and topical features

Keywords: Machine Learning, OSNs, Data Science

IBM India Research Laboratory

Undergraduate Researcher

New Delhi, India Nov 2017 - Present

• Complex Answer Retrieval:

Advised by: Dr. Sumit Bhatia

- * Have been working on the problem of Complex Answer Retrieval
- * Performed a thorough literature survey on the existing methods employed in question answering systems
- * Currently exploring and implementing basic techniques in Information Retrieval to improve the performance of downstream Neural Q&A models

^{*} Equal Contribution

* Keywords: NLP, Complex Answer Retrieval, IR, Deep Learning

o Persuasive Style Transfer:

Advised by - Dr. Deepak Padmanabhan (QU, Belfast)

- * Modelled the "persuasiveness" quality in political speeches
- * Wrote a linear program to make alterations to text to reduce the "persuasiveness" metric

Keywords: NLP, Machine Learning, Deep Learning

• Occupational Debiasing [code][preprint]:

Advised by - Dr. Sameep Mehta

- * Developed a system for detecting Occupational Gender Bias in text, taking into account the influence of demography and time-frame
- * Developed and curated a dataset comprising of various occupation names and occupational evidences
- * Proposed a pipeline that detects potential gender bias in occupations
- * Poster accepted at GHCI 2018

Keywords: NLP, Machine Learning, Flask

Interdisciplinary Lab for Interactive AV Development (ILIAD)

New Delhi, India Jan 2018 - Present

Undergraduate Researcher

• Generating Audio samples from Images:

Advised by - Dr. Timothy Scott Moyers Jr

- * Currently developing a pipeline for bridging Audio and Visual Engines with real-time modifications
- * Learning Non-linear mappings between projected images and audio samples
- * Developing linear and non-linear envelopes on data filters along with other common features present in DAWs

Keywords: Computer Music, Machine Learning, Creative AI, MIDI

WORK EXPERIENCE

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Associate Analyst Intern

New Delhi, India

May 2017 - July 2017

• Worked with the North America Data Team::

- * Studied the various aspects and applications of Data Science in the Business Dimension.
- * Worked on creating a large-scale implementation demo of MLLib in Apache Spark to predict user purchase patterns for various clients of dunnhumby focusing on those based in North America
- * Studied the Automation of ETL processes using Apache Airflow on Google Cloud Platform and worked in transferring data from SAS Archives to Hadoop Datalake.
- * Keywords: Data Analytics, Apache Spark, Hadoop, Business Intelligence

Rails Girls Summer of Code

New Delhi, India May 2017 - July 2017

 $Student\ Scholar$

Worked on Tessel - an IoT and Robotics development platform:

- * Part of one of the selected 16 sponsored teams out of 192 teams worldwide.
- * Developed tutorials Prepared Documentation, code snippets, Fritzing diagrams and a working demonstration.
- * Developed a model for a Humanoid Arm Project Understood the idea behind product design and development.
- * Studied and worked on Reach an ESP32 (low power BLE module), that is supposed to be Tessel's new launch in the domain of Low power boards.

Keywords: Open Source, IoT, Project Design

AWARDS

- Snap Research Scholarship 2019: Awarded for research done in the field of Data Mining and Machine Learning. Award includes 10,000 USD and an offer to intern at Snap Research, USA.
- Microsoft Research India Travel Grant: Awarded travel support of 50000 INR for visiting WSDM 2019
- ACM-W Scholarship: Awarded travel support of 1200 USD for visiting WSDM 2019
- Google Women Techmakers Scholarship, 2018: Awarded to students who work for diversity and inclusion in the field of Computer Science.
- Best Technical Poster Runner-up at GHCI 2018: Received for the project, "Generating Clues for Gender based Occupation De-biasing in Text"

- Dean's Award for Innovation R&D: Awarded to students who work on Research projects beyond coursework. Awarded for the academic years 2016-17 and 2017-18.
- Dean's List of Academic Affairs: Awarded to students who demonstrate excellence in an academic year. Awarded for the academic year 2016-17.
- Grace Hoppers Celebration India (GHCI) Scholarship, 2018: Awarded travel grant and scholarship to attend the GHCI conference.

PROJECTS

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- * An end-to-end model for converting handwritten mathematical expressions to compilable LATEX code.
- * Constructed a pipeline consisting of image segmentation, supervised classifiers such as CNNs, SVM, etc. and heuristics for code formation
- * Developed as a course project for Machine Learning (CSE343) at IIIT Delhi in Winter 2018
- * **Keywords:** Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Image Processing

• SemEval19 Task 3: EmoContext:

- * Worked on the task of emotion detection in dialogue. This was a shared task for a workshop at ACL 2019.
- * Used techniques like Data augmentation, emoji context evaluation using DeepMoji and Deep Learning models like LSTMs and ELMo.
- * **Keywords:** NLP, Deep Learning, Word Embeddings

o iDabba [code][poster]:

- * This project aims to improve the food storage and large scale handling of food silos in granaies
- * Uses Computer Vision techniques with SIFT, Haar classifier and Microsoft Vision API in Python and checks the environmental conditions around it using Humidity, Temperature and Weight Sensors.
- * Was amongst the top 10 projects in the first-year batch and received a mention in the Director's blog [link].
- * Keywords: Computer Vision, IoT, Flask

o Chain Reaction [code]:

- * A JavaFX-based desktop MacOS application based on the famous Android-based game.
- * Worked on features like multi-player mode, undo, resume,
- * Includes features like undo, resume and multiplayer mode and synchronised UI development.
- * Keywords: JavaFX, GUI, MacOS, Java, Object-oriented programming

Co-curricular Activities

o Talks

- * Intro to Computer Vision: Introductory talk on the self-taught topic, demonstrating basics of Images, colour, processing and basic CV algorithms. Delivered at WWCode Delhi. [slides]
- * Intro to Mathematics of ML: Introductory talk on the self-taught topic, demonstrating basic ML algorithms from a mathematical point of view. Delivered at WWCode Delhi. [GitHub]
- * Intro to Web connectivity with Tessel: An introductory talk about Tessel development board and its features. Delivered at LinuxChix India. [coverage]

Volunteering

* Summer School, IIITD: Summer School is where middle-school children from government schools are taught basic life skills and beyond the subjects taught in school. I was a part of the Personality Development and Communication Skills team, where I taught students the importance of physical gestures like posture, speaking and listening skills and basics of english. I was also involved in the cultural development of students in Music and Dance. [coverage]