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Research Interests

Neural Networks & Deep Learning Natural Language Processing Cognitive Computing & Image/Speech Recognition Applications of NLP on Indian Languages

Professional Experience

Research Fellow

(December, 2020 – Present)

School of Technology & Computer Science

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.

Teaching Assistant

(August, 2021 – Present)

CSS.212.0: Machine Learning (post-graduate course)

School of Technology & Computer Science

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.

System Engineer

(July, 2019 – November, 2020) [On a sabbatical for research]

Data Scientist for the Enterprise Analytics Platform of Deutsche Bank

Tata Consultancy Services, Bengaluru.

Education

Bachelor of Engineering (2019)

CGPA: **7.54**/10

(August, 2015 – June, 2019)

Department of Computer Engineering,

K. J. Somaiya Institute of Engineering & Information Technology,

University of Mumbai.

Projects, Internships & Work Experience

Research Fellowship at TIFR:

(December, 2020 – Present; 9 months)

- Oxygen Planner for States in India a tool for forecasting district-wise weekly oxygen demand by COVID-19 patients and scheduling supply to meet the requirement.
- o Currently assisting a post-graduate course on Machine Learning as a Teaching Assistant at the School of Technology & Computer Science.
- Studied probability distribution of the hospitalization duration among the COVID-19 fatalities in Karnataka and compared the distributions of the first and second waves for Bengaluru City.

- o Periodically gathered and reported incremental cases, fatalities and Shifted Case-Fatality Ratios (SCFR) for Mumbai, Maharashtra, India and the world.
- Monte-Carlo simulation modelling of COVID-19 pandemic: implemented vaccination intervention for an SEIRD model.

Analytics-oriented project at TCS: (July, 2019 – November, 2020; 1.4 years)

- o Contributed to the development of an Analytics Framework for the Deutsche Bank.
- Work involved
 - Big-Data Analytics using Java and Spark for Business Insights Reporting
 - Python-based Process Automation for status-reporting
- o The framework was used for the retrieval, tracking and reporting of the resource-utilization metrics of a Distributed Cluster.
- O Developed Java-based micro-services to retrieve, transfer and handle the metrics data.

Final-Year Engineering Project: (July, 2018 – June, 2019; 1 year)

- O Worked on the project titled: **Trigger Algorithm Development using a μ-TCA-based FPGA**, under the guidance of Dr. Raghunandan Shukla at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (**TIFR**), Mumbai.
- Contributed to the ongoing development of a classification algorithm to filter out noise from the data acquired by the sensors of the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) of the European Organization of Nuclear Research (CERN).
- o Work involved:
 - Proof-of-Concept implementation of Unsupervised Machine Learning using a μ-TCA-based
 Field-Programmable Gate Array (FPGA)
 - FPGA-based Hardware Programming in VHDL
 - <u>UART-based FPGA-Computer Communication Interface in C++</u>
 - Circuit-Level programming of ML algorithms

Undergraduate Internship: (July, 2017 – June, 2018; 1 year)

- o Interned on the <u>Project LHCInfo O2O</u> of the AlCaDB team of the CMS Collaboration of CERN at the Department of High-Energy Physics (DHEP), TIFR, Mumbai, under the guidance of Prof. Shashikant Dugad and Dr. Ravindra Verma.
- Contributed to the development of a C++-based framework for retrieving LHC-related sensor readings as well as metrics and persisting them in a special-purpose database designed for virtually reconstructing the collision sequence for analysis.
- o Work involved:
 - Big-Data framework in C++ for virtual reconstruction of LHC events
 - Python-based pipelines composed of C++-based Database Handling services for the retrieval and storage of scientific data
 - Scheduling and management of pipelines on CERN servers to record LHC-data for reconstruction

Publications & Contributions

- Juneja S., Saptharishi R., Srivastava P., Mittal D., Noolkar A., Eeshan A., (2021), <u>Oxygen Planner for States in India</u>. A tool for forecasting district-wise weekly oxygen demand by COVID-19 patients and scheduling supply to meet the requirement.
- Noolkar A., Patel G., (2020), *COVID-19 Tracker*. Github-based project for tracking and visualizing the spread of COVID-19 pandemic globally and within <u>India</u>.
- Verma R., Noolkar A., (2018), Added the CTPPS & ECAL attributes to CondFormats/LHCInfo. Contributed to the CMS Software through the pull requests #22527 and #22668.
- Noolkar A., Bhanushali H., (2018), <u>Entry, Descent & Landing Sequence and Propulsion Systems for Soft Landing on Europa</u>. Presented at the "Touch The Jovian Moon" Mission-Design Competition of the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre, Indian Space Research Organization.
- Articles on Astronomy written in <u>Marathi</u> in the *Khagol Vishwa* (Khagol Mandal's e-magazine):
 - का झेपावे अंतराळात? (२०१९). *खगोल विश्व जागतिक अंतराळ सप्ताह विशेषांक ५*, १-४. [Why Reach Out into Outer Space? (2019). *World Space Week Edition 5*, 1-4.]
 - आढावा २०१७ मधील खगोलीय घडामोडींचा (२०१८). खगोल विश्व अंक ३, ६-९. [Review of Astronomical Developments of 2017 (2018). *Khagol Vishwa Edition* 3, 6-9.]
 - शोध परग्रहावरील जीवसृष्टीचा (२०१७). खगोल विश्व अंक २, १०-१२. [Search for Extra-terrestrial Life (2017). Khagol Vishwa Edition 2, 10-12.]
 - विज्ञान, अवकाश आणि संशोधन (२०१७). खगोल विश्व अंक १, १०-१२. [Science, Space & Research (2017). Khagol Vishwa Edition 1, 10-12.]

Courses & Workshops

- NLP Specialization, 2020 (4-Course Specialization, deeplearning ai, Coursera)
- <u>Deep Learning Specialization</u>, 2019 (5-Course Specialization, deeplearning ai, Coursera)
- Machine Learning, 2017 (Online Course, Stanford University, Coursera)
- Ground-Station Workshop, 2017 (Pratham, IIT Bombay)
- Introduction to Cryptology, 2016 (Online Course, IIT Roorkee, NPTEL)

Activities & Achievements

- Winner of the "Touch The Jovian Moon" Mission-Design competition at the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre, ISRO. (May, 2018)
- Participant at the **ACM-ICPC 2018 Regional Round** at the Amrita School of Engineering, Coimbatore. (December, 2017)
- Student of The Year (Higher Education)
 - Somaiya Vidyavihar group of institutions, September 2018.
- Outstanding Boy Student (Higher & Technical Education)
 - Somaiya Vidyavihar group of institutions, September 2018.
- Master Nirmala (Outstanding Boy Student)
 - Nirmala Convent High School, January 2013.
- Founder, <u>Infinite Loop</u> The Programming club of KJSIEIT. (Founded: January, 2017)
- Founder, Vyom The Astronomy Club of KJSIEIT. (Founded: January, 2017)
- Mentor, New Leap Initiative The Satellite Club of KJSIEIT. (July 2017 June 2019)
- Member of the **Table Tennis** team of the KJSIEIT (inter-collegiate level).

Professional Association & Affiliations

- Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai (Research Fellow; December, 2020 Present)
- Tata Consultancy Services (Data Scientist; July, 2019 November, 2020) [Currently on a sabbatical]
- <u>IUMS Students' Module</u>, Govt. of Maharashtra (A committee for digital reformation of Higher Education, Panellist; June, 2018 June, 2019)
- AlCaDB Group, CMS Experiment, CERN (Member; July, 2017 June, 2018)
- <u>Tata Institute of Fundamental Research</u>, Mumbai (Project Intern; July, 2017 June, 2019)
- Khagol Mandal (Astronomy Club, Member; 2014 Present)
- Infinite Loop, KJSIEIT (Programming Club, Founding Curator; January, 2017 January, 2018)
- Vyom, KJSIEIT (Astronomy Club, Founding Curator; January, 2017 January, 2018)
- New Leap, KJSIEIT (Artificial Satellite Club, Mentor; July, 2017 June, 2019)

Skills & Proficiency

- Programming Experience:
 - *Python, C++, Java*: Curricular and project-related purposes, competitive programming, in-depth experience.
 - o TensorFlow & Keras frameworks: Course-related purposes, moderate experience
 - o Octave, MATLAB: Curricular purposes, moderate experience.
 - o Root, shell: Project requisites and related purposes, detailed experience.
 - o VHDL: Project requisite, in-depth experience.
 - o HTML, CSS & JavaScript: project-related purposes, detailed experience.
- Natural Languages: Marathi, Hindi, English & basic Sanskrit.
- Proficient programming and systematic debugging capabilities with a quick grasp over new functionalities and languages.
- Collaborative experience in a diverse range of teams, advisory committees and panels.

Other Interests

Table Tennis, Swimming, Astronomy, Cosmology, Propulsion Systems, Indian Languages & Linguistics, Indology, History, Stock Markets, AI in Video Games.