# HARISH RAJAGOPAL

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# EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Degree	Year	Institution/Board	CGPA/%
B. Tech	2016 - Present	IIT Kanpur	9.7/10.0
Sr. Secondary	2016	Maharashtra HSC	90.46%
Secondary	2014	Maharashtra SSC	93.6%

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Secured 7  $\mathbf{A} \star$  grades across 6 semesters.
- Awarded **Academic Achievement Awards** for outstanding performance in 1st and 2nd years.
- Secured All India Rank of 185 in JEE Advanced 2016.
- Secured All India Rank of 205 in JEE Mains 2016.

#### Internships

#### • Research Intern, NYU Tandon

Prof. Pawel Korus, Prof. Nasir Memon May '19 - July '19

- Researched robust image hashes that are immune to typical image transformations, while being sensitive to malicious image edits such as face swaps & deep fakes.
- Developed a framework for testing against compression, contrast changes, gamma, blurring, warping.
- Trained various network architectures on the *triplet loss* along with *mining* of examples for improved training.
- Tested the networks against adversarial attacks such as FGSM, Projected Gradient Descent, Boundary Attack.

# • Research Intern (Remote), NYU Tandon

Prof. Yao Wang

May '18 - July '18

- Researched differentiable plasticity for domain transfer in images using Convolutional Neural Networks.
- Improved *efficiency* in the temporal update rule for the *Hebbian weights* by using *transpose convolution*.
- Achieved notable improvement in classification accuracy using full plasticity, when adapting models trained on the SVHN dataset for the MNIST dataset.

# • Intern, Machine Learning Team, New York Office of IIT Kanpur

Prof. Manindra Agrawal

May '17 - July '18

- Developed an *online* text clustering model using a fully-online modification of the DBSCAN algorithm.
- Implemented an *online* document vectorisation model using Distributed Memory paragraph vectors.
- Developed a Word2Vec model to identify duplicate documents using Word Mover's Distance on word vectors.

## **PROJECTS**

- Improving GANs through Test-Time Constraints
  Prof. Vinay Namboodiri, Prof. Chetan Arora Jan '19 Present
- Pre-trained Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) are fine-tuned using interactive user input.
- The user provides edge sketches on the GAN's outputs, and a difference-of-Gaussians based loss is used to fine-tune it.
- Multi-Agent GANs for Image Super-Resolution

  Prof. Vinay Namboodiri

  Aug '18 Dec '18
- A Multi-agent generalisation of SRGAN inspired by MADGANs for image super-resolution in TensorFlow.
- Four generators get the four corner sections of the input, and their outputs are joined to get the final image.
- Each generator pairs with a discriminator, while a global discriminator acts on the final output.
- Higher-Order Optimisation in Deep Learning

  Prof. Piyush Rai Sept '18 Nov '18

Surveyed the use of quasi-Newton methods in deep learning.

- Surveyed Hessian-Free optimisation, AdaQN, and Sum of Functions Optimiser (SFO).
- Benchmarked Hessian-Free optimisation on an MLP against the Adam and SGD optimisers in TensorFlow.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Inter-IIT Tech Meet (Silver Medal)

  IIT Kanpur Contingent

• Compiler for Golang in Python

Jan '19 - Apr '19

Dec '18

Prof. Amey Karkare
• 6<sup>th</sup> Inter-IIT Tech Meet

IIT Kanpur Contingent Dec '17 - Jan '18

• Reinforcement Learning in Atari Games

ACA, IIT Kanpur

Jan '17 - July '17

• Depression Therapy Chatbot
Programming Club. IIT Kanpur

May '17 - July '17

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, Bash, C, C++, LAT<sub>E</sub>X, PHP, HTML+CSS, MySQL, Typescript
- Software and Utilities: TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, Numpy, Git, OpenCV, Hyperopt, Gensim, Ionic

## Relevant Courses

Visual Recognition Probability and Statistics Algorithms II Introduction to Machine Learning
Discrete Mathematics
Data Structures and Algorithms

Computational Cognitive Science Introduction to Linear Algebra  $(A\star)$ Fundamentals of Computing  $(A\star)$