# Sandeep Kumar

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# Education

# **Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur**

Jul. 2015 - Jul. 2019 (exp)

B.S. IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING (8.64/10)

# **Research Interests**

COMPUTER VISION, NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING, MACHINE LEARNING

## **Publications**

## **Multimodal Differential Network For Visual Question Generation**

EMNLP 2018 PDF

- · Developed a method to incorporate exemplars to learn differential embeddings for generating natural questions for an image
- Obtained Multimodal embeddings by combining image and caption information which allows the model to capture relevant context
- Achieved state-of-the-art results on multiple datasets

#### **Learning Semantic Sentence Embeddings using Pair-wise Discriminator**

#### COLING 2018 PDF

- · Proposed a novel method for obtaining sentence-level embeddings by solving the paraphrase generation task
- · Introduced a sequential pair-wise discriminator to obtain semantic and relevant sentence embeddings
- Obtained state-of-the-art results on the task of paraphrase generation and sentiment analysis

## **Bayesian Techniques For Question Generation**

CVPR 2019 (UNDER REVIEW)

- Developed a bayesian architecture to procure embeddings for various image related cues
- · Proposed a principled approach to combine these embeddings and generate diverse questions
- Obtained state-of-the-art results on the task of question generation on standard datasets

# **Internships**

# **Interpretable Visual Dialog**

March 2018 - Present

RESEARCH INTERNSHIP WITH PROF. DEVI PARIKH

- Analysed Visual Dialog models with the help of GradCAM visualisations
- · Adopted a Multi-Task learning setting with Question reconstruction as the auxiliary task for dialog

## **Video Completion with Deep Learning**

Dec 2017 - Jan 2018

RESEARCH INTERNSHIP AT NVIDIA GRAPHICS BANGALORE

- Built a convolutional generative adversarial network for video generation
- Used multiple discriminators to ensure temporal and spatial consistency of videos

# Projects \_

## **Mitigating Annotation Costs in legal domain**

Oct 2017 - Jan 2018

Course Project at IIT Kanpur

- $\bullet \ \ \text{Designed a novel algorithm to annotate legal documents in an information retrieval setup}$
- Eliminated human effort at test time without significantly affecting the performance

# **Honors & Awards**

- 2015 Among top 5% in JEE Advanced 2015 and top 0.1% in JEE Mains 2015.
- 2015 Secured 96.4 % in Higher Secondary Examination
- 2014 Scholar Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY), National Talent Search Examination (NTSE)

## Relevant Courses \_

Machine learning TechniquesData Structures & AlgorithmsLinear AlgebraApplied Stochastic ProcessesProbability & StatisticsTime Series Analysis

# Technical Skills

Languages: Python, C++, C, Lua, MATLAB, R Tools: LTpX, MELD, GIT DL Frameworks: Torch, PyTorch