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Indian Institute of Technology Madras (22/CS/20/053)



Education

2015-2020 Dual Degree (B.Tech + M.Tech) in Computer Science and Engineering

Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai (Grade Sheet)

2015 XII - Karnataka Board, KLE Society's Independent PU College, Bangalore (Marksheet)

2013 X - ICSE, B P Indian Public School, Bangalore (Marksheet)

CGPA: 8.52

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Professional Experience

May - July Autocorrect Feature in Google Docs

2019 Summer Internship, Google India, Bangalore (Internship Completion Certificate)

- Developed a new feature comprising of user interface behaviour with corresponding actions for pre-existing autocorrect operations (such as capitalization) to alert the user that an autocorrect has occurred and an interface to undo it
- Worked on the implementation of an improved version of autocorrect that corrects misspellings and grammatical errors
- Developed a feedback and logging mechanism for the autocorrect feature, and proposed success metrics to assess the performance of the same
- o Presented a poster on the design, implementation and usability of the feature at an office-wide poster session

May - July Text to Scene Conversion in Augmented Reality

2018 Summer Internship, Adobe Research Labs, Bangalore (Internship Completion Certificate)

- Proposed and developed a pipeline for converting natural language descriptions to 3D scenes in Augmented Reality, comprising of NLP and ML components that construct the scene through prediction of object sizes and positions
- Developed a mobile application to showcase the applicability of the system, which demonstrated major performance improvements over previous systems
- o A poster on the work has been accepted at the ACM User Interface Software and Technology Symposium 2019
- A patent on the work has been filed at the US PTO (Application No. 16/247,235)

May - July Cognitive Approach to Natural Language Processing

2017 Summer Internship, Prof. Veni Madhavan, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore (Internship Completion Certificate)

- Worked on a cognitive approach to Natural Language Processing that combines syntactic and semantic approaches
- Developed a cognitive parser which processes textual data into cognitive structure representation
- Created a software incorporating the above algorithm, that would be used as a feature extractor for various NLP tasks

Projects

Aug - Dec Leveraging Ontological Knowledge for Neural Language Models

2018 Course: Computational Models of Cognition, Prof. Sutanu Chakraborti, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

- Incorporated Weight Initialization in learning word emeddings using the WordNet Ontology for a task specific to the *Construction* domain, resulting in a faster convergence rate and better representation of domain-specific terms
- Proposed three models that induce hierarchical relations between words in the embeddings using the structure of the ontology, specifically for domain transfer applications
- Presented a publication and poster at the ACM CODS-COMAD Young Researchers' Symposium 2019

July - Dec Multimodal Dialogue Generation

2018 Course: Undergraduate Research in Computer Science, Prof. Mitesh Khapra, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

- Proposed and implemented a model to prove the hypothesis that integrating domain-relevant features improves the
 performance of image retrieval in multimodal dialogue systems in the fashion domain, using the MMD dataset
- Proposed and explored the performance of attention and memory based models with appropriate adaptations for multimodal dialogue, along with domain knowledge integration
- Explored the use of Graph Convolutional Networks for modeling the various components of multimodal dialogue

March - April Risk-Sensitivity in Multi-Armed Bandits

2019 Course: Multi-Armed Bandits, Prof. L.A. Prashanth, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

- Empirical survey of the existing methods for risk-sensitivity in stochastic bandit problems, spanning risk measures like Variance, Value at Risk (VaR) and conditional Value at Risk (cVaR)
- o Implemented multiple risk-sensitive algorithms for each measure and performed a qualitative and quantitative analysis
- Introduced novel modifications of the Explore-Then-Commit algorithm for VaR and cVaR measures; both showing performance competent with existing risk-sensitive algorithms

Feb - March Summarization and Keyword Extraction using TextRank

2018 Course: Natural Language Processing, Prof. Sutanu Chakraborti, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

o Performed a detailed analysis of the existing TextRank algorithm, a page-rank based algorithm for text summarization

Oct - Nov Risk Sensitive Reinforcement in Learning d novel improvements on it

2018 Course: Reinforcement Learning, Prof. L.A. Prashanth, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

- Empirically analyzed the existing methods for risk-sensitive RL, spanning various risk measures like variance bounds and probability of risk bounds, and incorporating them in algorithms like Q-learning and SARSA
- o Introduced a new risk measure and corresponding algorithm that maximizes distance from error states in a Gridworld

Dec 2016 Scaling Graph Algorithms

Winter Project, Prof. Rupesh Nasre, Indian Institute of Technology Madras (Internship Completion Certificate)

- Implemented algorithms for maximum network flow (Edmonds-Karp algorithm) in a graph and finding a maximum matching in a bipartite graph (Hopcraft-Karp algorithm)
- Optimized the running time for real data graphs such that the algorithm ran efficiently on graphs with up to 10,000 vertices and 1 lakh edges

Nov 2017 Skin Disease Diagnostic System

Microsoft code.fun.do Contest, Indian Institute of Technology Madras (Internship Completion Certificate)

- O Designed a web application that attempts to diagnose skin diseases based on images of the person's skin
- o Developed using a deep learning based approach, with a dataset created by scraping annotated images from the web

Sept - Oct Breakout Game

2017 Course: Paradigms of Programming, Prof. Anurag Mittal, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Developed an Android application for the Breakout game from scratch, with basic playing and scoring features

Publications and Patents

[Publication Leveraging Ontological Knowledge for Neural Language Models (Paper, Poster)

and Poster | Ameet Deshpande, Monisha Jegadeesan

In ACM CODS-COMAD Young Researchers' Symposium 2019

[Poster] ARComposer: Authoring Augmented Reality Experiences through Text

Sumit Kumar, Paridhi Maheshwari, **Monisha Jegadeesan**, Amrit Singhal, Kush Kumar Singh, Kundan Krishna In ACM User Interface Software and Technology Symposium (**ACM UIST**) 2019

[Patent] Visualizing Natural Language through 3D Scenes in Augmented Reality

Sumit Kumar, Paridhi Maheshwari, **Monisha Jegadeesan**, Amrit Singhal, Kush Kumar Singh, Kundan Krishna Filed at the US PTO (Application Number: 16/247,235)

Skills

Languages C, C++, C#, Java, Python, HTML, CSS, Javascript

Tools Unity, ARCore, Android Studio, Stanford CoreNLP, git, Bootstrap, jQuery, AngularJS

Libraries NLTK, django, scipy, pandas, sklearn, gensim, keras, tensorflow

Courses

(* - Ongoing)

[Statistical Topics in Deep Learning*, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Reinforcement Learning, Learning] Multi-Armed Bandits, Probabilistic Graphical Models, Computational Models of Cognition

[Curriculum] Computer Networks, Database Systems, Operating Systems, Data Structures and Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming

[Mathematics] Probability-Statistics-Stochastic Processes, Discrete Mathematics, Graph Theory

Scholastic Achievements

- First runner-up in the AWS Deep Learning Hackathon held in Shaastra 2018, IIT Madras:
 Implemented a prototype of a proposed idea involving recognition and translation of English text on signboards and posters into the user's vernacular language
- State Rank 17 in Karnataka Common Entrance Test for Engineering, 2015, out of approximately 1.2 lakh students
- o Topped respective academic institutions in both Class X and Class XII board exams

Positions of Responsibility

June 2019 Organizer, Management Team, Tech Intern Connect, Google, Bangalore

o Member of the managing committee that organized the event, hosting technology interns from all over the city

June - Dec Technical Operations Coordinator, Shaastra 2017, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

2016 O Developed the frontend components of major websites and portals for the technical fest of IIT Madras

Extra Curricular Activities

Sports Part of NSO (Sports at IIT Madras) Basketball during first year of engineering (2015-16)

Cultural Trained in the classical dance form of Bharatanatyam for six years