Aman Goel

Education

2013–2017 **Bachelor of Technology (Honors)**, *Indian Institute of Technology*, Bombay, *GPA – 9.3/10.0*. Computer Science and Engineering

Scholastic Achievements

- 2016 AP grade (given to top 2%) in 6 courses, including all 4 mathematics courses
- 2015 **Team rank 27** among 300+ teams in ACM ICPC Amritapuri Regionals
- 2014 Institute Academic Award for being in the **top 10** out of over 800 students
- 2013 Secured **All India Rank 33** in JEE Advanced (previously IIT-JEE) among 0.15 million contesting candidates and emerged as the Uttar Pradesh State topper
- 2013 Obtained 100 percentile in JEE Main (previously AIEEE) among 1.5 million candidates, with all India highest score of 115/120 in Chemistry
- 2013 Certificate of Merit and Gold medal in Indian National Olympiad in Physics and Chemistry for being among the top 35 in the country
- 2013 Among the **top 8** of the country who were selected to represent India at the 14th Asian Physics Olympiad, 2013, Bogor, Indonesia

Internship Experience

- Nov 16 Machine Learning Engineer Intern, STEALTH MODE STARTUP.
- Present \circ Used keras library in **Python** to build deep neural networks, thereby increasing the accuracy the algorithm from 80% to 95%
 - Redesigned the entire backend, including machine learning API and unit testing framework.
- Nov 16 Global Alpha Researcher, TREXQUANT INVESTMENT LP.
- Present Working on development of profitable trading signals based on real-world data for medium-frequency equity trading and implementing the same using **MATLAB** interface
 - Studying finance based research papers to figure out new alpha ideas.
- May 16 **Software Engineering Intern**, Rubrik Inc., Palo Alto, CA, USA.
 - Jul 16 Investigated the stability and performance of CockroachDB as a replacement to Cassandra in existing Rubrik file system's file metadata store
 - Wrote C++ code to redesign the filesystem to use CockroachDB as the metadata store
 - Wrote correctness tests and benchmarks in Python to compare CockroachDB with Cassandra
 - Received a **return offer** from Rubrik for outstanding performance during the internship.
- May 15 **Research Intern**, TU BRAUNSCHWEIG, Braunschweig, Germany.
 - Jul 15 Studied the algorithms related to swarming robotics, an upcoming field of robotics which involves coordination of simple robots to perform powerful tasks
 - o Studied Triangulation Problems, Tree Exploration Problem and Inverse Art Gallery Problem
- Dec 14 Research Intern, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India.
 - Jan 15 Studied iterative algorithms for statistical curve fitting and implemented in MATLAB
 - o Also studied the impact of noise distribution on the nature of the curve

Projects

Operating **Deduplicating File System using FUSE**.

Systems • Used FUSE to design and implement a deduplicating file system in **Python**

- o Implemented block level deduplication by taking SHA256 hash of each data block
- Used a backend postgres database to reduce the required storage by a factor of about 64

Operating File Server with associated Shell based client.

- Systems Used socket programming libraries of C to design a file server to handle concurrent clients
 - o Programmed a shell based client and implemented various other features like pipe, redirection and signal handling, foreground and background processes
 - Studied web server overload in terms of latency and throughput measurements

Deep Convolutional Neural Network for Car Recognition.

- Learning Used Tensorflow (Python) to implement a car recognition system using deep learning
 - Implemented convolutional neural network to achieve over 90% accuracy on test data
 - o Implemented a keras (Python) model to compare performance with Tensorflow model

Deep Devanagari Script alphabet recognition system using Tensorflow.

- Learning Used Tensorflow (Python) to build a deep network for Devanagari character recognition
 - o Investigated the impact of the width, depth, learning rate, regularization and hidden unit type on the accuracy of recognition system

Machine Smart Keyboard.

- Learning O Used techniques and algorithms of Natural Language Processing to develop a smart keyboard application in **Python**
 - Implemented spelling correction and word prediction using sklearn and NLTK

Artificial Simulation of Genetic Algorithm (Artificial Intelligence).

- Intelligence Programmed an implementation of Genetic Algorithm in Java
 - o The program takes an image from the user as input and reconstructs the image using a fixed number of circles and rectangles
 - o Implemented various aspects of the algorithm including mutation, crossover and elitism
 - o Ran the program for several images like abstract images, logo of various companies, animals, etc

Artificial Planet Wars Bot.

- Intelligence Programmed a smart heuristic (bot) in C++ to play the game of Planet Wars
 - Implemented future prediction mechanism to tackle the opponent bot smartly
 - o Suggested the concept of a frontier mechanism to strengthen the defense of the bot

Databases Banking Made Easy.

- o Programmed the client and the server end of a banking application using Java Servlets
- The application connects to a remote postgres backed database server
- Worked on the security aspects of the application for the prevention of SQL injection and XSS attacks

Databases External Merge Sort and Hash Join.

- o Implemented external merge sort supporting generalized k way merge, and simulating merge sort for large files using C++
- Also implemented the hash join algorithm to join 2 large relations
- Analyzed performance statistics of the algorithms and worked on further improvements

Compilers Compiler for a subset of C language.

- Created a compiler for C programming language to generate MIPS32 assembly code
- Coded from scratch, various features like lexical analysis, syntax tree creation, parsing and assembly level code generation
- Implemented structs, type checking, pointers and many other common features of C

Web Dev **Q/A platform for competitive exam preparation**.

- Used Django (Python) backed server to build a Quora like web application
- o Designed the database schema from scratch and used MySQL as backend database
- Used Rake Library in Python to automatically extract tags and topics from asked questions
- Implemented newsfeed, upvotes, downvotes, user profile and follow features

Web Dev Bodhitree Multimedia Textbook.

- \circ Worked on the feature development of a large scale Django based multimedia textbook
- Designed a review mode feature that helps the user easily review the videos
- Programmed a notifications panel that displays the number of unwatched pending videos

Web Dev Photo Gallery Web App in Django.

- Created a photo gallery web application in Django (**Python**)
- o The application extracts the images of a certain hash tag from Twitter and displays them in the form of an image gallery
- Implemented user-authentication features (login, logout, register) from scratch

Web Dev JEE Seat Allocation Web App in Django.

- Studied Gale-Shapley algorithm for finding a stable matching and implemented it in Java
- Used the implementation of the algorithm to solve a seat allocation based problem
- Developed an associated **Django** based web application to allow students to fill their seat preferences for JEE counseling (a competitive exam in India)

Android Location based Social Networking App.

- Programmed an android application for a location based social network, supporting features of multicast within a distance
- Added settings to alter multicast distance as well as feed interval
- Also added a message labeling feature for SOS messages

Android **Sunshine Weather App**.

- Used the Open Weather Map API to create a simple weather application in android studio as a part
 of Udacity's Android development course
- Implemented features like ListView, Fragments, SQLite database, Content Providers, Share Intent and Map location intent

Android My Timetable App.

- Created a simple timetable management app in **Android** Studio.
- The application can store classes along with timings in an SQLite database and then retrieve daily classes and display them in a ListView

Android Blog Android Application.

- Used the Blogger API to program an android application for blog using android studio
- o Implemented refresh mechanism to fetch latest articles from the blog
- o Implemented the share intent to share the link of blog

Skills & Interests

General Distributed Systems, Scalable Databases, Machine Learning

Languages Python, C/C++, Java

Development Web Development (Django), Android App Development

Tools $\triangle T_F X 2_{\varepsilon}$, Bash Scripting, MATLAB, GNU Octave, Prolog

Others Cryptography, Computer Networks, Assembly

Other Academic Achievements

- 2015 Among the top 20 across India to be shortlisted for Cargill Global Scholarship 2015
- 2013 Cleared National Standard Exams in Physics and Chemistry, being among the top 300 nationally
- 2013 All India Rank 105 in KVPY among over 50,000 contesting candidates
- 2013 CBSE Certificate of Merit in Physics for being among the top 0.1% in India
- 2011 Conferred with the title of Amul VidyaShree for securing 97.4% in High School
- 2011 All India Rank 42 in the Resonance Start Exam, All India Rank 27 and North India Zonal Rank 2 in FIITJEE FTRE and All India Rank 83 in FIITJEE NSTSE among thousands of candidates across the country

Positions of Responsibility

Jul 15 - **Department Academic Mentor**.

- April 16 o Among the 14 people to be chosen as Department Academic Mentor for CSE Department
 - Responsible for guiding 10 sophomore students with their academics and curriculum

Jul 14 - **Teaching Assistant**.

- Nov 15 Selected 8 times and served **3 times** as a TA for Computer Programming and Utilization, Electricity and Magnetism and Introduction to Calculus courses at IIT Bombay
 - Responsible for guiding students with tutorial problems for better understanding of the course material

Jul 14 - Convener at Rubik's Club.

- Jul 15 Served one full term as a Convener at Rubik's Club at IIT Bombay
 - Responsible for conducting workshops and events to teach speedcubing