Parth Shettiwar

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Master of Science in Computer Science

Los Angeles, CA
Sept '21-Mar '23(Expected)

Mumbai, India July '17–July '21 GPA: 9.49/10

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

Btech. in Electrical Engineering
Minor in Computer Science and Engineering
Minor in AI and Data Science
Honors in Electrical Engineering

Publications

• Size Optimization for Intent Analysis in Voice Commanding[Paper]

Parth Shettiwar, Koushiki Chaudhuri, Ankit Jain, Shivam Goel, Abhirupa Mitra

Work Accepted in Short Paper Track at MLADS-Synapse 2020, Microsoft's internal ML, AI and Data Science conference

RESEARCH AND INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Non Stationary Bandits with Periodic Variation[Paper]

IIT .

 $IIT\ Bombay$

Mar '21 - May '21

Guide: Prof. D. Manjunath

- Introduced a new setting in non-stationary bandits by considering the means of arms to vary in a **periodic** fashion.
- Proposed two new algorithms for the **perfectly periodic** setting, **D-PUCB** and **SW-PUCB**, relying on discounted and sliding window approaches respectively and showed a logarithmic regret, validated by their performance on synthetic data.
- Proposed a new algorithm SW-NPUCB for the setting when means of arms are nearly periodic and show its efficacy on real world data. Achieved state of art performance. Work was submitted to RL for Real Life Workshop @ ICML 2021.

Deep Weakly-Supervised High Speed High Dynamic Range Video Generation[Abstract][Video] Mar '20 - Present Guide: Prof. Shanmuganathan Raman IIT Gandhinagar

- Devised the first weakly supervised deep learning framework to generate high Frame Rate High Dynamic Range video from a sequence of low Frame Rate alternating exposure Low Dynamic Range frames.
- Implemented Video Frame Interpolation Technique incorportaing Depth and Flow estimations to generate multiple high and low exposure LDR frames recursively at each time step.
- Implemented a Novel **Attention-based merge** network for generating HDR video frames using two exposure LDR images. Work was submitted to **SIGGRAPH Asia 2020**.

${\bf Thesis: \ Few \ Shot \ Class \ Incremental \ Learning} [{\bf Code}][{\bf Report}]$

July '20 - Dec' 20 IIT Bombay

Guide: Prof. Subhasis Chaudhuri, Prof. Biplab Banerjee

- Implemented an encoder-decoder Nearest mean classfier in a 5-way, 10 shot setup with Inter class, Reconstruction and Centre loss to achieve 98% accuracy on omniglot dataset.
- Modelled the prototypes as **Gaussian** to ensure better clustering of samples in latent space to further improve the accuracy.
- Proposed and implemented a novel **GAN** based architecture with **distillation** loss to generate samples of previous classes to avoid **catastrophic forgetting** on complex datasets like Imagenet.

Offline Voice Commanding in Microsoft Word App[Code][Report]

May '20 - July'20

Microsoft R&D India/Data Scientist Internship

- Developed and Integrated a Size Optimized Dynamically Downloadable Entity Recognizer and Intent Classifier Model for enabling Offline Voice Commanding in Microsoft Word App
- Optimized the size of model by performing an extensive Size vs Accuracy Analysis of in-literature Language Models and achieved a 96% test accuracy and model size hit incurred of meagre 12kb.
- Developed a **custom tflite binary** supporting only the operations required by the model bringing its size down from 3.6mb to **268.9 kb**. Work Accepted in Short Paper Track at **MLADS-SYNAPSE 2020**.

OSR - Open Set Recognition using Side Information [Code]

May '19-July '19

IIT Bombau

Guide: Prof. Biplab Banerjee/Resarch Internship

- Implemented Kernel Null Folley-Sammon Transform(KNFST) after learning a Discriminative Dictionary for sparse coding via Label Consistent K-SVD(LC-KSVD) to achieve >99.9% training accuracy on MNIST dataset
- Obtained a **latent space** having high discrimination amongst known classes by training a Neural Network upon **Triplet** + **Reconstruction** + **Classification** loss with the key features extracted by RESNET as an input
- Generated Pseudo Open Set samples from Open Set Prototypes using a **Conditional Wasserstein GAN**(CW-GAN) with Gradient Penalty trained on closed set visual samples using known **word2vec** prototypes as the condition

Game Theoretic Approach to Optimal Network Allocation[Code][Report]

Guide: Prof. Prasanna Chaporkar/R&D

Jan '20 - Jun '20 IIT Bombay

- Modelled and proved the NP-Hard Optimal Network Allocation problem as an exact potential game
- Proved the existence and uniqueness of the stationary Gibbs distribution of the Markov Chain defined by Spatial Adaptive Play Algorithm(SAP) and Concurrent-SAP(C-SAP).
- Implementation and Graphical comparison of the convergence of potential functions of 3 Algorithms: Best Response Dynamics(BRD), SAP and C-SAP on a simulated aptly randomized input to emulate real-world scenario.

Other Technical Projects

Semantic Image Inpainting using DCGAN[Code][Slides]

May '21

Guide: Prof.Suyash Awate | Course (Medical Image Computing)

IIT Bombay

- Performed image inpainting by finding an optimal latent vector lying on the latent image manifold and closest to the given corrupted image using **context** and **prior loss**.
- Performed **Poisson Blending** on the generated image to preserve the overall intensity values of the missing pixels

3D Object Detection and Semantic Map Generation (Robotic Vision Scene Understanding Challenge 2021) April '21 IIT Bombay Guide: Prof. Sharat Chandran | Course (Computer Vision) [Code] [Slides]

- Using RGB and depth images from the traversal of bot, performed **3D object detection** leveraging object detection networks.
- Created a 3D semantic map of the environment with bounding boxes around each object using 3D NMS algorithm

Image Toonification [Code][Slides]

March '21 IIT Bombay

Guide: Prof.Biplab Banerjee | Research Project

- Cartoonised real life images to the domain of Anime style images leveraging the network of Cartoon GAN.
- Initialised the Generator with an Image Abstraction technique employing **DoG** and **Bilateral** filters to get better results.

Human Pose Transfer [Code][Slides]

March '21

Guide: Prof. Shanmuganathan Raman/Research Internship

IIT Gandhinagar

- Leveraged the StyleGan Architecture to solve the problem of Human Pose Transfer by giving Pose information as style input.
- Used Perceptual, Pixel, Image Gan and Pose Gan loses to evaluate perforance on Deep Fashio Dataset.

Efficient Neural Machine Translation[Code][Slides][Report]

Dec '20

Guide: Prof.Pushpak Bhattacharyya | Course (Speech, Natural Language Processing and the Web)

IIT Bombay

- Built a NMT model based on RNNsearch model with minimal parameters and Time taken for training on Multi30K dataset, to achieve a decent Bleu score as compared to a standard Transformer
- Implemented Adverserial training to avoid overfitting on dataset to further improve the Bleu score

Maze Solver [Code][Report]

Sept-Oct 2020

Guide: Prof.Shivaram Kalyanakrishnan | Course (Foundations of Intelligent and Learning Agents)

IIT Bombay

- Modelled a Maze as a Markov Decision Process with appropriate rewards and transitions.
- Found the shortest path from a given start point to multiple end points in a maze using Value Iteration algorithm.

Chunk Tagger [Code][Slides][Report]

Aug-Sept 2020

Guide: Prof.Pushpak Bhattacharyya | Course (Speech, Natural Language Processing and the Web)

IIT Bombay

- Classified the chunk tags of phrases using a Maximum Entropy Markov Model, Conditional Random field and Bi-LSTM.
- Performed extensive feature engineering incorporating morphological features to achieve >90% accuracy on conll2000 dataset.

Image Inpainting using the Deep Image Prior [Code]

Oct-Nov 2019

Guide: Prof. Biplab Banerjee | Course Project (Machine Learning for Remote Sensing-II)

IIT Bombay

- Exploited the inherent property of CNN to reluctantly fit on a noisy image when started with uniform noise to get off the Prior term and reconstruct the original image in a zero-shot fashion
- Developed an hour-glass(Encoder-Decoder) architecture with skip connections to maximise the likelihood term, subsequently producing the near original image even when 80% of random pixels are removed.

Adversarial Reprogramming of Neural Networks [Code][Slides]

Oct-Nov 2019

Guide: Prof. Ajit Rajwade & Prof. Suyash Awate | Course Project (Digital Image Processing)

IIT Bombay

- Computed a adversarial perturbation added to all test inputs to reprogramme ImageNet classification model on CIFAR-10
- Illustrated the vulnerability in neural networks performing a adversary chosen task despite being not trained to do it originally

Pipeline Processor IITB RISC [Code][Report]

March '19 IIT Bombay

Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh | Course Project | Electrical Engineering Department

- Created a 16 bit 6-stage pipelined processor based on Little Computer Architecture using VHDL.
- Implemented Finite State Machines for the execution of 15 instructions with single and double wide fetch execution
- Created the Memory, Register and Arithmetic Logic units for storing and computation operations.

READER AND TEACHING

Graduate Readder at UCLA

Fall 2021

Course: Automated Reasoning

• Teaching Assistant at IIT Bombay in Collaboration with ERUDITUS

Spring 2021

Course: Machine Learning and AI with python

Teaching Assistant at IIT Bombay

Course: Machine learning -II for Remote Sensing (GNR 638)

Autumn 2020

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

• Achieved perfect 10/10 Minor GPA in Artificial Intelligence and Data science.

[2017-21]

- Awarded AP grade(Top 1%) for outstanding performance in courses GNR652 and GNR638: Machine Learning for Remote Sensing
- Secured All India Rank 170 in Joint Entrance Exam-Advanced(JEE) with a perfect score of 122/122 in Maths [2017]
- Recipient of the prestigious **Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY)** fellowship(SA Stream) with **All India Rank 275**

[2016]

Successfully cleared NSEC and appeared for Indian National Chemistry Olympiad(INChO)

[2016-17]

• Successfully cleared NSEA and appeared for Indian National Astronomy Olympiad(INAO)

[2015-16]

• Recipient of National Talent Search Examination(NTSE) fellowship

[2015]

 Achieved International Rank 2 in 2015 and Rank 3 in 2012 in National Science Olympiad conducted by Science Olympiad Foundation.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C++, Java, VHDL, HTML, LATEX
- Libraries: OpenCV, Keras, Tensorflow, PyTorch, sklearn, NumPy
- Software Skills and Circuit Boards: Android Studio, Quartus, Robot Operating System(ROS), Unity3D git, MATLAB, AutoCAD, SolidWorks, NGSpice, Arduino

KEY COURSES UNDERTAKEN

Machine Learning and applications: ML in Bioinformatics, Computer Vision and Lab, Medical Image Computing, Foundations of Intelligent and Learning Agents, Speech and Natural Language Processing and the Web, Advance Machine Learning, Machine Learning for Remote Sensing-I,II, Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing

Computer Science: Introduction to Number Theory and Cryptography, Operating Systems, Data Structures and Algorithms, Computer and Network Security, Computer Networks, Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Mathematics and Statistics: Matrix Analysis,es A First Course in Optimization, Probability and Random Processes, Data Analysis and Interpretation, Markov Chain and Queuing Systems, Applied Mathematical Analysis in Engineering, Introduction to Stochastic Control, Decision Analysis and Game Theory

Electrical: Microprocessors, Electronic Devices and Circuits, Network Theory, Signals and Systems, Analog Circuits, Digital Systems, Power Electronics, Control Systems, Communication Systems, Electromagnetic Waves

Position of Responsibility

Coordinator | Unmesh Meshruwala Innovation cell

[2017-18]

- Part of the Localisation subsystem in SEDRICA: Driverless Car project at Innovation cell, IITB
- Team member in charge of planning, organizing and publicizing events under Innovation Cell
- Organised Summer Induction Programme which was attended by 100+ students including topics of mechatronics systems, localisation, path planning, image processing, sensor fusion and machine learning.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Got Selected and attended the 4th Summer School on Machine Learning conducted by CVIT, IIIT-Hyderabad [July'19]
- Selected for and attended the Inter IIT Table Tennis Camp (The top 7 in institute)

[Nov-Dec '18]

- Second Runners up in the General Championships of Inter Hostel Table Tennis open representing hostel and recognized as Player of the Tournament for the exceptional performance throughout [2017]
- Recognised as one of the **best presenters** on **Large Systems** and **Mathematics in Electrical Engineering** to students who came from different colleges of India under **TEQIP III**, an initiative by MHRD [2018]
- Podium finish in Physics and Maths Bazinga Institute open Maths and Physics Competition of puzzling problems. [2018]
- Awarded Champion of Champions Trophy in All India Vedic Maths competition conducted by Ideal Play Abacus [2013]