# MOHD SAFWAN

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#### **EDUCATION** \_

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai, India — Graduated in June 2022

B.Tech + M.Tech , Electrical Engineering (Signal Processing) GPA: 8.42/10

Thesis: Intelligent Learning Agents for Board Games (paper) (slides)

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS \_

- . Secured All India Rank 457 / Top 0.23% in JEE Advanced 2017 out of 200,000 students.
- . Ranked in **Top 0.12**% students in JEE Main 2017 out of 1.2 million students.
- . Was placed in Top 1% in National Standard Astronomy Olympiad and selected for INAO.

## WORK EXPERIENCE \_

#### **Quantitative Researcher** — *Millennium Management*

Jul '22 - Present

- . Created US equities signals composite: daily rebalance, 3 Sharpe  $\sim$ 10 day holding period.
- . Wrote infrastructure for creating long horizon features from L3 tick by tick data.
- . Most signals based on Microstructure, Price Volume, Options Vol Surface, Holdings/Flows, etc.
- . Created novel ML pipelines to create uncorrelated signals from black box features.
- . Used novel ways to measure and control factor risk, leading to a better Sharpe ratio.
- . Significantly improved performance of the tooling used for parallelizing python computations.

#### Reinforcement Learning Intern — WinZO Games

Jan - Jun '22

- . Created a deep reinforcement learning algorithm for learning multiplayer board games via self play.
- . Wrote a complete learning framework for generic board games and deployed trained agents in production.

## Applied Scientist Intern — Matching Quality Team, Amazon

Summer '21

- . Built multilingual and multimodal deep learning based models to match products with search queries.
- . Optimized the training time by 75% and achieved upto 10%+ gains in F1 scores over multiple locales.

## Co-founder, Technical Lead — Augle AI (augle.ai)

Jan '19 - Dec '20

- . Built and deployed multiple Imaging, Vision and AI solutions as APIs to various clients using AWS services.
- . Managed a team of more than 8 researchers and developers to iteratively improve our solutions.
- . Won Startup Jalsa 2019 and secured funding at 5.3 Cr valuation. Winner of E Cell's Eureka IITB track.

## Finding Images/Videos using a Selfie — Freelance Project, Reels & Frames (picsniff.com)

Summer '20

- . Developed a solution to find all photos and videos of a person from a collection with 95%+ accuracy.
- . Optimized the search time to a **few milliseconds** for searching in 1000 images with multiple faces in each.

#### KEY PROJECTS \_

#### Parallelized Verification of Conjecture for Metric Dimension — C++, CUDA (link)

Spring '21

- . Wrote C++ code to verify the conjecture for metric dimension of a grid graph augmented with one edge.
- . Implemented own Hash Set on GPU due to lack of STL library and got 200x improvement with CUDA.

## Petyr: An Open Source Python Library — Computer Vision (link)

Spring '20

- . Developed a fast library for working with 2D geometric transforms with 300+ monthly downloads.
- . Wrote unit tests with full coverage with automated tests and build checking at every push using Travis CI.

#### Positions of Responsibility \_\_

**Teaching Assistant** | Control Systems Lab, Digital Signal Processing Lab.

2021-22

**Convener, Web & Coding Club** | Conducted various boot-camps and competitions for the club. 2018-'19 **TSS Instructor** | Taught 100+ students Python and concepts of Object Oriented Programming. *Autumn* '19 **School of Science** | Mentored 4 freshmen in implementing basic DL algorithms from scratch. Summer '19