# SHIKHAR VASHITHTH

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INFORMATION Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore Links: Webpage, Scholar, Github

EDUCATION Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India 2016-Present

Google PhD Fellow at Dept. of Computer Science and Automation GPA: 9.1/10

Advised by Dr. Partha P. Talukdar and Prof. Chiranjib Bhattacharyya

**Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani**; Pilani, India 2012-2016 M.Sc.(Tech.) Information Systems GPA: 9.18/10

With Distinction, Rank #1 in branch

WORK ADAPT Lab, BITS Pilani, India Jan 2016 - May 2016

EXPERIENCE Undergraduate Thesis (Advisor: Prof. Navneet Goyal)
Worked on designing a hybrid algorithm for Principal Components Analysis (PCA).

Microsoft IDC, Hyderabad, India May 2015 - Jun 2015

SDE Intern, Microsoft Office Team

Worked on integrating Google Sign in in MS Office Android apps for reducing user friction.

CMC Ltd, Mumbai, India May 2014 - Jun 2014

SDE Intern, Java and Web Development Team

Worked with LEARN team on enhancing interactivity of project's web pages.

Publications

Shikhar Vashishth, Shib S. Dasgupta, Swayambhu N. Ray, Partha Talukdar. "Dating Documents using Graph Convolution Networks", Proceedings of Association of Computational Inguistics (ACL 2018), Melbourne, Australia.

Shikhar Vashishth, Prince Jain, Partha Talukdar. "CESI: Canonicalizing Open Knowledge Bases using Embeddings and Side Information". Proceedings of The Web Conference 2018 (WWW 2018), Lyon, France. [Acceptance Rate: 14.8 %]

Yash Sinha, Shikhar Vashishth, K Hari Babu. "Real Time Monitoring of Packet Loss in Software Defined Networks". Proceedings of International Conference on Ubiquitous Communications and Network Computing 2017.

Yash Sinha, Shikhar Vashishth, K Hari Babu. "Estimation of raw packets in SDN". Proceedings of International Conference on Ubiquitous Communications and Network Computing 2017.

Yash Sinha, Shikhar Vashishth, K Hari Babu. "Meticulous Measurement of Control Packets in SDN". Proceedings of ACM Symposium on SDN Research, (SOSR 2017), Santa Clara, CA.

Shikhar Vashishth, Yash Sinha, K Hari Babu. "Addressing Challenges in Browser Based P2P Content Sharing Framework Using WebRTC". Proceedings of 30th IEEE International Conference on Advanced Information Networking and Applications, (AINA 2016), Switzerland. [Acceptance Rate: 29 %]

Shikhar Vashishth, Yash Sinha, K Hari Babu. "A Browser-based Distributed

Framework for Content Sharing and Student Collaboration". Proceedings of 4th International Conference on Advanced Computing, Networking, and Informatics.

# ACADEMIC PROJECTS

## **Document Time Stamping**

Sep 2017 - Feb 2018

Proposed a state-of-the-art Graph Convolutional Network based solution for predicting time stamp of documents.

## Canonicalizing Open KB

May 2016 - Sep 2017

Designed a new algorithm, CESI for canonicalizing noun phrase and relation in Open Knowledge Graphs.

## Visualizing deep models for Object Recognition

May 2016 - Sep 2017

Devised a new method called DeNet for visualizing layers' activations in Deep CNN models for object recognition.

## Deep Learning models for sentiment Analysis

May 2016 - Sep 2017

Performed comparison of state-of-the-art models for sentiment analysis on several datasets.

#### Simulating Real Time Motion blur

Oct 2016 - Dec 2016

Implemented the state of the art technique for simulating motion blur in animations.

## SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Python, C, C++, Java, R, MatLab, JavaScript, NodeJS **Tools and Systems:** Tensorflow, Open-GL/MP/CV, MPI, Linux, Git, Android

# Position of Responsibility

Teaching Assistant for Data mining, BITS Pilani

Jan 2016 - May 2016

Assisted in conducting lab sessions on IBM SPSS Modeler.

## Techno team head at Nirmaan Organization

Aug 2014 - Dec 2014

Supervised team in online and on campus publicity of Nirmaan.

# Honors and Awards

- Recipient of Google India PhD Fellowship 2018.
- Microsoft Research grant for attending ACL 2018, Melbourne.
- Google Travel grant for attending WWW 2018, Lyon, France.
- BITSAA Travel grant for attending AINA 2016, Switzerland.
- Secured 49th rank (top 0.04%) in GATE 2016 CSIT.
- Qualified for ACM ICPC 2014 Kharagpur regionals.
- Secured 8,848 rank (top 1.8%) in IIT-JEE
- $\bullet$  Secured 4,334 rank (top 0.74%) in AIEEE