

# Siba Smarak Panigrahi

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## Education

### B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, India

Department Rank 1 amongst 121 students.

2018–Present

GPA: 9.78/10

### All India Senior School Certificate Examination (AISSCE)

Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), India

2018

98.6%

Secured AIR 3, Rank 1 in Bhubaneswar Region. Among the top 0.1% of the 1.16 million candidates.

## Research Interests

Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)

## Research Experience

### Study of Facebook posts during Elections [Code]

MIT, USA

Data Analytics Intern | Supervisors: Dr. Kiran Garimella (IDSS, MIT)

Prof. Aaditya Dar (ISB) & Vasundhara Sirnate (The Polis Project)

Dec 2020

Designed a complete framework to enhance and simplify the study of Facebook posts during elections. Analyzed distribution of page characteristics and post reactions, released by different FB pages, and their correlation with election results. Trained simple pipeline(s) to assign a political party to a post. Performed topic modeling to provide an overall sense to posts released by various political parties.

### Emotion Recognition using EEG Signals [1] [Code]

Bennett University, India

Research Intern | Supervisor: Prof. Arpit Bhardwaj & Divya Acharya

Jul 2020–Aug 2020

Carried literature reviews of recent papers to learn basics of Genetic Programming, and Multi-Task Cascaded Networks. Designed CNN and LSTM architectures to obtain **87.72%** and **88.6%** mean accuracy for classification of EEG signals as valence, arousal, liking, and dominance emotions.

### COVID-19 detection using Chest X-rays [Code]

Effat University, Saudi Arabia

Summer Research Intern | Guide: Prof. Abdulhamit Subasi

Jun 2020–Aug 2020

Designed architectures of 2 and 3 layered CNNs to obtain accuracy around **95%** for classification of X-Ray images into Normal, COVID-19 or Pneumonia. Combined Machine Learning algorithms and ImageNet pre-trained architectures to enhance the above accuracy to more than **96.5%**.

## Key Projects

### Write Your Thoughts

IIT Kharagpur

Software Engineering Lab Term Project | Supervisor: Prof. Sudip Misra

May 2020

Created a web platform on the Django framework for literary enthusiasts' to share their stories, poems, and thoughts. Incorporated commenting and rating on a work; allowed subscribing to and ranking of authors. Received appreciation from Teaching Assistant for the project.

## Student CGPA

IIT Kharagpur

*Self-designed project*

Mar 2020

Trained Machine Learning algorithms on 1185 students' data to predict CGPA at the end of semester III, using previous semesters' CGPA. Produced promising results with a low mean test error of 0.02 and test score of 94.8% on a size of 132 students.

## EarthQPlot

University of California San Diego

*Object Oriented Programming in Java - Coursera*

Sep 2019

Created a GUI Applet to show the locations of Earthquakes around the world utilizing data from RSS Feed. Enhanced features to distinguish between Land and Ocean earthquake, and show relevant statistical results.

## Academic Achievements

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- Qualified campus round in **Smart India Hackathon, Software Edition**, and bagged position amongst top 5 teams of the institute (2020)
- Awarded Gold Medal for securing **1st** position in Open IIT Maths Olympiad (2019)
- Awarded with **Technology Alumni Association (Delhi Chapter) Award**, highest CGPA at end of semester II amongst all B.Tech/Dual Degree students (2019)
- Secured **2nd** rank in JBNSTS (Jagadis Bose National Science Talent Search) Examination (2018)
- Secured **All India Rank 828** in the KVPY examination (2017)
- Invited as **Guest of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India** to witness Republic Day Parade from Prime Minister's Box for excellent performance in AISSE (2017)
- Ranked **6th** in India and **1st** in region in KVS-JMO (Junior Mathematical Olympiad) (2016)
- Ranked **2nd** in Odisha state RMO (Region Mathematical Olympiad) (2016)
- Selected as **Exchange Student** under Sakura Exchange Program in Science, Japan Science and Technology Agency (2016)

## Relevant Coursework

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**Mathematics** - Linear Algebra, Calculus, Probability and Statistics

**Computer Science** - Machine Learning, Algorithms - I & II, Discrete Structures, Formal Language and Automata Theory, Switching Circuits and Logic Design, Compilers, Computer Organization and Architecture, Software Engineering

**Online** - Applied Data Science Module (Unit I and II) - World Quant University, Machine Learning - Coursera, Deep Learning - deeplearning.ai

**Current** - Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Computer Networks, Operating System

## Activities and Leadership

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### Team Head

IIT Kharagpur

*Kharagpur Data Analytics Group (KDAG)*

Organized research paper-reading sessions for students of IIT Kharagpur. Conducted Data Science and ML workshop for more than 600 registered students. The KDAG is a group of students enthusiastic about Data Science and Machine Learning, along with its applications.

**Team Leader (Geometry and Topology Team)****IIT Kharagpur***Theoretical Mathematics Reading Group (TMRG)*

Taught and attended sessions on Basic Topology, Graph Algorithms, Number Theory, and Matrix Algebra. The TMRG is a reading group under UG Students' Council, IIT Kharagpur to develop interest amongst students towards research in Computer Science and Mathematics.

**Web Development and Content Head****IIT Kharagpur***Institute Wellness Group (IWG)*

Guided web development team to design a website to spread awareness about our activities. Planned refresher events, month-long mental-health awareness drives, and Gatekeeper training programs. IWG is a friendly neighborhood wellness body of the campus, responsible for organizing events that helps to aware students about mental health issues and methods to combat them.

## **Skills**

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- **Coding** - Python, C, Java,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Octave, Verilog, MIPS
- **Other** - Keras, PyTorch, streamlit, gensim, Git, numpy, matplotlib, scikit-learn, pandas
- **Web Devt.** - Django, HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, PostgreSQL

## **References**

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Upto 3 references available on request.

## **Conferences**

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1. Paper titled "Multi-Class Emotion Classification Using EEG Signals" was accepted in 10th International Advance Computing Conference (IACC 2020) and for publication in the book series, Communications in Computer and Information Science (CCIS), Springer.