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## EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS \_\_

• Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India B.Tech, Computer Science and Engineering, 2012 - Present

• Lawrence and Mayo Public School, Kota, India Senior School Certificate(CBSE), 2012

 St.Thomas College, Lucknow, India Secondary School Certificate(ICSE), 2010 Percentage: 96.2 %

CGPA: 9.9/10.0

Percentage: 95.8 %

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Ranked in **top 7 students in the institute** among 837 students
- Secured All India Rank 100 in IIT-JEE 2012 among 0.5 million candidates
- Placed in top 0.05% (amongst over 1 million students) in AIEEE 2012 with AIR 148
- Awarded Academic Excellence Award (given to top 5% students) for exceptional academic performance in 2012-13
- Received **Summer Undergraduate Research Grant for Excellence** (SURGE) 2014, granted by Dean, Resource Planning and Generation, IIT Kanpur.
- Selected for Kishore Vigyan Protsahan Yojna (KVPY), 2012 given by Department of Science and Technology, Government of India
- Awarded Certificate of Appreciation by the Director, IIT Kanpur for outstanding contribution in software development in Inter IIT Technical Meet held at IIT Bombay
- Amongst top 1% students in NSEA, pre-final round in Indian National Astronomy Olympiad 2011-2012

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## Vision Based Robot Motion Planning

SURGE | May 2014-July 2014

Mentor: Dr .Amitabha Mukerjee, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur

- Formulated an algorithm to automate the motion and plan the trajectory of CRS Robotic arm using computer vision, image processing and Gaussian models
- Implemented Gaussian Process Latent variable model and Gaussian process regression to figure out the mapping between joint angles of the robotic arm and corresponding images for various configurations for trajectory planning
- Recovered the joint angles of the robotic arm from the corresponding images with about 99.5% accuracy
  and generated a smooth trajectory between unknown robot configurations with solution sufficiently close
  to ground truth solution

#### City Watch, Crowd Source Android Application

Android Application | December 2014

- Conceptualized a crowd source solution to address local infrastructural issues in the city and report problems to the municipal government for immediate consideration
- Developed an Android Application using web standards(HTML,CSS,JavaScript,PHP) through Intel XDK framework
- Awarded 2nd prize in Software Development amongst 20 teams at Inter IIT Technical Meet held at IIT Bombay

## My Impress, Cloud Based Presentation Software

Web Application | May 2014-June 2014

Designed an online platform to create presentations with cloud support and improved presentation transition effects

- Utilized Impress.js framework and Web standards(JavaScript,PHP,MYSQL)to construct an editing and hosting platform
- Devised a user interface for Impress.js presentations that provided a powerful tool to add 3-D scale, zoom and rotate features which distinguished them from standard PowerPoint presentations

## **Short Term Projects**

- Comment Magic, Facebook Application

September, 2013

- Programmed a Facebook Application that enabled users to search for posts through their wall, their friend's timeline and user groups and allowed them to post same comment on multiple posts
- Won 1st prize in Web-Development event amongst 20 teams in Takneek, Inter Hall Technical Fest of IIT Kanpur
- Learning Wagon, Web Application

September, 2013

- Devised a featured English pronunciation web app that comprised of an interface for English Hindi translation with images and pronunciations of words and facilitated them to improve their pronunciation
- Secured **2nd position** in the El Eduvate event **amongst 30 teams in Techkriti**, Annual technical festival of IIT Kanpur
- Picachu, Facebook Application

March, 2014

- Developed the app Picachu in Yahoo Hack-U that comprised of Google chrome plugin and facebook application to facilitate the users to edit photos (via HTML 5) online and post them directly as facebook comments

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming languages: C, C ++ , Perl, Bash, HTML, JavaScript, CSS, PHP, MYSQL, Python
- Platforms/Tools: Windows, Linux, Octave, GNU Plot, Latex, Matlab, Socket Programming

#### Relevant Courses

Data Structures and Algorithms Linear Algebra Operating Systems\* Computer Organization Computing Laboratory Introduction to Calculus Discrete Mathematics Computer Networks\* Theory of Computation\*
Fundamentals of Computing
Probability and Statistics
Abstract Algebra

\*: ongoing

# Positions of Responsibility\_\_\_

• Secretary, Programming Club, IIT Kanpur

June 2013-April 2014

Organized lectures at the hall level , promoted participation in programming events and mentored juniors in Summer Project  $\,$ 

• Academic Mentor, Counseling Service, IIT Kanpur

April 2013-June 2014

Provided academic assistance to students from junior batches in Fundamentals of Computing (ESC 101)

#### Extra-Curricular

- Secured **2nd position** in BattleCity, an AI strategy game event, **amongst 23 teams** held at Techkriti(2014), annual technical festival of IIT Kanpur
- Awarded Certificate of Appreciation for outstanding project as a part of Manufacturing Process course for fabricating Mechanical Odometer