Siddhartha Saxena

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EDUCATION

IIT KANPUR, GPA: 9.23
B.Tech in Computer Science
Expected April 2019 | Kanpur, India

VBV, KOTA AISSCE 2015: 93.8%
Grad. May 2015 | Kota, India

LINKS

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Github:// **siddsax**
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COURSEWORK

Bayesian Machine Learning
Machine Learning Techniques
Data Structures and Algorithm
Logic in Computer Science
Probability and Statistics
Differential Equations
Unix Tools and Scripting

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING
Torch • Tensorflow • Pyspark • Amazon Web Services • Unreal Engine• ROS • Shell Scripting • MATLAB • OpenCV • Github • Arduino IDE • LaTeX • HTML/CSS • C++ • Python

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Editor, VOX POPULI | Journalism body of IIT Kanpur

- Moved Vox closer to people with articles voicing the opinions of the campus community.
- Lead articles on pressing issues like problems of Ph.D. students, effect of coaching on IIT undergrads (published on **Business Insider** and **Times of India**), statistical analysis of World University Rankings.

Google Developer's Group

- Gave a talk on Computer Vision and its application in Robotics, attended by **more than 50 peers and juniors** .

EXPERIENCE

ENVESTNET YODLEE | Intern | Instance Selection in Big Data
Mentored by Dr Om Deshmukh, Director, Data Science | Bangalore | May 2017 - July 2017 | Report*

- Developed a data-driven Instance Selection approach to significantly enhance the generalizability of all Data Science models implemented by the company.
- Tackled the highly complex problem via an efficient on-line clustering model in spark with growing number of clusters undercutting the problem of Big Data.

GENERATING MULTIPLE PLAUSIBLE DEPTH MAPS THROUGH A SEQUENTIAL ADVERSARIAL NETWORK | B.Tech Project mentored by Prof. Vinay Namboodiri | December 2016 - Present

- Developed a novel technique to produce multiple depth maps of a scene, training on just a couple of images with good results on KITTI dataset.
- Created an artificial dataset from scratch on Unreal Engine 4.
- The work on its evaluation is presently ongoing, targeting AAAI 2018

SELECTED PROJECTS

IMPROVING VARIATIONAL INFERENCE MODELS VIA NORMALIZING FLOWS | Course Project mentored by Prof. Piyush Rai | January 2016 - April 2017 Code* | Report*

- Implemented Variational Auto-encoders with Normalizing Flows for generating handwritten numbers.
- Produced richer latent representations in Variational Auto-encoders.

INTERACTIVE BAYESIAN DOCUMENT CLUSTERING | Course Project under Prof. Piyush Rai | August 2016 - November 2016 | Code*

- Built a clustering model from scratch invoking user feedback via a cycle of rejection/acceptance.
- Implemented a prior over gaussian likelihood, down-weighing rejected clusters and vice-versa for accepted ones.

AUV-IITK (AUTONOMOUS UNDERWATER VEHICLE) | Software Subsystems under Prof. K.S Venkatesh and Prof Sachin Y Shinde | December 2015 - December 2016 | Code*

- Built **Institute's first** AUV. A vehicle capable of following distinctly-colored lines, shoot torpedoes and drop markers autonomously using sensor data and computer vision, which has been integrated using Robot Operating System **(ROS)** .
- Applied Pose Detection via SIFT and SURF Descriptors for an L-shaped gate, identifying the angle made by it.
- Applied CNNs for pattern detection using Tensorflow.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- **Academic Excellence Award** at IIT Kanpur for the year 2015-16.
- **First runner-up** in the National Autonomous Underwater Competition, SAVe-NIOT (2016) in debut attempt among **17** top Indian Colleges.
- Secured Rank **74** in Goldman Sachs Quantify (2016): Real life problems in competitive programming competition on Algorithms and Machine Learning.