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

siddharthasaxena.com Github://siddsax LinkedIn://siddsax Twitter://@siddsax Quora://Siddhartha-Saxena

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 • MEX • 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.
- We are presently evaluating its performance, especially quantitatively.

SELECTED PROJECTS

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

- 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* | REPORT*

- 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* | REPORT*

- 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.

* mark indicates hyperlink

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.