INTERESTS

Explainable AI, Domain adaptation, Computer vision, Deep learning, Biometrics

EDUCATION

Master of Engineering, Software Systems

2018 - present GPA: 7.84/10.0

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

Thesis: Hyperspectral guided Image Dehazing

Advisor : Dr. Pratik Narang

Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.), Electrical & Electronics

2013 - 18

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

GPA: 7.97/10.0

Thesis: Deep Learning for Biometrics Advisor: Dr. Pawan K Ajmera

Master of Science (Hons.), Chemistry

2013 - 18

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

GPA: 7.97/10.0

Thesis: Emission Properties of triplet harvesting AIE active materials in the reverse micelles of gemini surfactants: Effect of spacer chain length

Advisor: Dr. Subit K Saha, Dr. Inamur R Laskar

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Web Intelligence & Social Computing (WISoC) Group, BITS Pilani

Mentor: Dr. Yashvardhan Sharma

Jan 2019 - May 2019

Extensive experiments were conducted on VMU 2015 dataset finally proposing a text-based CNN to learn semantic word embeddings for fake news detection in tweets.

CSIR - Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute, Pilani

Mentor: Dr. Santanu Chaudhury (Director, IIT, Jodhpur)

July 2018 - Dec 2018

Explored the immense potential of Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) to generate 31 band hyperspectral images from RGB images employing the idea of neural oscillations to train GANs.

Samsung R&D Institute, Noida

Mentors: Mr. Chetan Chauhan, Mr. Ashish Thakur

Summer 2017

Proposed a Convolutional Encoder Decoder Network for End to End Image Generation using Tensorflow. The architecture was trained to detect blurred region of images in a pixel-by-pixel manner without any external estimation techniques.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

<u>Harsh Sinha</u>, Vinayak Awasthi and Pawan K Ajmera. "Audio Classification using Braided Convolutional Neural Networks" IET Signal Processing. 2020. (In Press)

<u>Harsh Sinha</u> and Pawan K. Ajmera. "Upgrading Security and Protection in Ear Biometrics" IET Biometrics 8, no. 4 (2019): 259-266.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

<u>Harsh Sinha</u>, Sakshi Kalra and Yashvardhan Sharma. "Text-Convolutional Neural Networks for Fake News Detection in Tweets" In Frontiers in Intelligent Computing: Theory and Applications. Springer, 2020.

<u>Harsh Sinha</u>, Raunak Manekar, Yash Sinha, and Pawan K Ajmera. "Convolutional Neural Network-based Human Identification using Outer Ear Images" In Soft Computing for Problem Solving, pp. 707-719. Springer, 2019.

<u>Harsh Sinha</u>, Shivin Srivastava, and Yash Sinha. "Studying the Role of Kinect as a Multi-Sensory Learning Platform for Children". In Proceedings of the 2018 ACM International

Joint Conference and 2018 International Symposium on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing and Wearable Computers (UbiComp 2018), pp. 251-254. ACM

WORKSHOP **PROCEEDINGS**

Aditya Mehta, Harsh Sinha, Pratik Narang and Murari Mandal. "HIDEGAN: A Hyperspectralguided Image Dehazing GAN" Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2020) Workshops.

Harsh Sinha and Pawan K. Ajmera. "Interweaving Convolutions: An application to Audio Classification". KDD Deep Learning Day, 24th ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD 2018), London.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & Software: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Python, MATLAB, Java, C/C++ Courses: Object Oriented Analysis and Design, Data Mining, Machine Learning

MOOCs: Machine Learning, Data Science Specialization

PROJECTS	Reducibility among Combinatorial Problems	Aug 2019 - Oct 2019
	ViSoft: Visualization in Software Testing	Aug 2019 - Oct 2019
Machine Learning	A Variational Training perspective to GANs for Hyperspectral	Jan 2018 - Dec 2018
	Image Generation	
Computer Vision	Detection of Amur Tigers in the Wild	Aug 2019 - Oct 2019
	Query Based Deep Face Image Retrieval	Jan 2019 - May 2019
NLP	Real-time Twitter Sentiment Analysis	Jan 2019 - May 2019
Spring MVC	Estate Security Management System	Jun 2018 - Dec 2018

SERVICE

PROFESSIONAL Reviewer: IET Biometrics, BMVC 2020

UbiComp 2018 Travel Grant Awarded a travel reimbursement of USD 600 for UbiComp '18

HONORS & AWARDS

Microsoft Code.Fun.Do. Finalist Forum

Feb 2016 - August 2016

Oct 2018

Runners Up across top 15 universities in India. Developed a Kinect-based learning platform which consisted of multiple games and a dashboard to help specially-abled children overcome difficulties in education. Awarded prizes worth INR 1,00,000.

EXTRA **CURRICULAR** ACTIVITIES

Johns Hopkins University

Community Teaching Assistant. Responsible for supporting student learning on discussion forums at Coursera for the courses Exploratory Data Analysis and Reproducible Research

Prayag Sangeet Samiti, Allahabad

 $Sangeet\ Prabhakar\ in\ Tabla.$ Equivalent to $Bachelor\ of\ Music\ in\ Vocal/Instrumental.$

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