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Education	University/School	Subject/Discipline	Year	CPI/%
Post Graduation	IIT, Kanpur	MS-R, CSE (Cybersecurity)	2023-25	10.0 (**)
Graduation	VIT, Vellore	Major,ME and Minor, CSE	2017-21	9.16
Intermediate/+2	Sri Chaitanya, Vizag (HSC)	STEM	2015-17	92.00
Matriculation	Sri Chaitanya, Vizag (SSC)	STEM	2015	10.0

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Face Morphing Attack Generation and Detection (Digital Forensics) (M.S-R Thesis);

Guide: Prof. Nisheeth Srivastava Impact: 10L+ students/year

(Nov'23 - Present)

- Face Morphing: A digital image manipulation technique that seamlessly blends two facial images, creating a fake blended face of two subjects.
- Misuse: A deceptive tool in exams, where a morphed image combines the faces of a bright and a dull student, allowing the latter to pay the former to take exams on their behalf, thus gaining admission.
- Types: Majorly two types of morphs, Landmark based and Deep-Neural-Network based (GAN/style-GAN). Done on two format's of images, JPG and PNG.
- o Progress made: We have achieved close to 99% accuracy for PNG's and around 60% for JPEG's, using Error Level Analysis (ELA) and contours in image processing. We're still working on JPEG's to improve accuracy.

#### **PROJECTS**

- DOM and DFA Attack on AES (CS666: H/W Security for IoT)(A Grade) Guide: Prof. Urbi Chatterjee 🗘 (July'23-Nov'23)
  - For the DOM/DPA analysis, Objective: Recovering AES secret key bytes using Differential Power Analysis (DPA).
  - Technique Used: Implemented Difference of Mean Attack with zero and one bin arrays and successfully retrieved asked key bytes from power traces.
  - In DFA analysis: We conducted the fault injection and formed equations to iteratively retrieve the key of said bytes.
- Packet Capture Analysis (CS628: CSS)(A Grade) Guide: Prof. Angshuman Karmakar 🗘

(July'23-Nov'23)

- **Objective:** Analyzed .PCAP files for SQL injection and XSS attacks using Wireshark.
- Methodology:
  - \* Filtered HTTP packets to identify potential SQL injection commands like UNION SELECT.
  - \* Detected session ID theft via cookies and MD5 hashed password theft.
- o Insights:
  - \* Recognized vulnerabilities in MD5 hashed passwords, susceptible to rainbow table attacks.
  - \* Implemented safety measures against XSS and SQL injection attacks.
- Skills: Security analysis, Wireshark, vulnerability mitigation.
- Designing efficient NTT, PWM & I-NTT (CS674 PQS) (A Grade) Guide: Prof. Debapriya B. Roy 🗘

(July'23-Nov'23)

- Firstly, we're given 2 functions, we computed the Fourier transform for each one of them (using the Cooley-Tukey NTT algorithm). Secondly, we performed point wise multiplication to the transformed functions.
- Lastly, we did inverse NTT on the last output. (Using the Gentleman-Sande inverse INTT algorithm)
- Breaking Companion ArbiteR PUF (CAR-PUF) using ML (CS771) Guide: Prof. Purushottam Kar 🗘 (Jan'24 - Apr'24)
  - $\circ$  A CAR-PUF employs two arbiter PUFs, along with a secret threshold value  $\tau$ . Given same challenge to both, the absolute difference in timings is calculated. If  $|\Delta w - \Delta r|$ , is less than or equal to  $\tau$ , the response is 0; otherwise, it's 1.
  - Derived a detailed mathematical derivation demonstrating how a CAR-PUF can be compromised by a single linear model.
  - Wrote a code to solve this problem by learning the linear model W, b using the training data. Model used was 'model = LogisticRegression(C=1.0)'. We mapped input features from 32 dimensions to 528, to get a proper linear fit. We had also computed how various hyper-parameters affected training time and test accuracy.
- Escaping the Caves(CS641)(Modern Cryptology) Guide: Prof. Manindra Agrawal 🔾 (Jan'24 - Apr'24)
  - Methodically Analyzed and Decoded a range of cryptosystems namely, Substitution cipher, PlayFair cipher, EAEAE,
  - Utilized advanced techniques to exploit cryptosystems, methods such as frequency analysis, differential cryptanalysis.
- Project GATE CSE GPT (Winter LLM Bootcamp, Pathway x IIT-K x IIT-BHU, Non-Academic) 🔾 (Feb'24) Impact: 1L+ students/year
  - o A chatbot-GPT powered by OpenAI & Pathway. Aims in helping students with interview, PYQ, test-series, the main exam and other common doubts, related to GATE CSE exam, specifically who are facing difficulty in affording coaching, with the help of Pathway's LLM App, and a **Dropbox** at backend
  - The LLM App enables AI-powered search from multiple unstructured documents like prev. interview experiences, PYO's, topper's notes, etc and indexes input data in real-time just after you upload files to the cloud storage.

### RELEVANT COURSES AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Mtech Courses: CS771 Introduction to Machine Learning, CS641 Modern Cryptology, CS628 Computer Systems Security, CS666 Hardware Security for IOT Devices, CS674 Post Quantum Security
- Btech Courses: CSE2003 Data Structures & Algorithms, CSE2004 Database Management System, CSE2001 Computer Architecture, ONL1021 Essentials of Machine Learning and Organization, CSE1003 Digital Logic and Design
- Programming/Scripting Languages: C, C++, Python, Java, JavaScript, Verilog HDL, HTML, CSS, MySQL.
- ML Libraries/Utilities/Tools: Scikit-learn, Tensorflow, PyTorch, NumPy, OpenCV, Pillow, Pandas, Matplotlib, Git, 
   \( \mathbb{E}\)\ \text{Z}, Google Colab, Jupyter.

## POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY/EXPERIENCE

- **Head TA**, for the second semester in the **ESC111/112**, **Fundamentals of Computing**, which included, management of examinations and duties of other TA's, apart from the basic doubt resolving. (*Jan'24-May'24*)
- **Teaching Assistant :** Two semesters of assisting **ESC111/112**, **Fundamentals of Computing** students with doubt resolution, lab test management and grading assignments (Aug'23-May'24)
- Graduate Engineer Trainee (GET) & Associate Engineer at L&T Technology Services 🗞 %

(Aug'21-March'22)

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND RECOGNITION'S

- Awarded with the Academic Excellence Award for the semester '2023-24 First' for ranking among the top 10% of scorers in the department.
- My project was recognized among the top 3 open-source projects in the Winter LLM Bootcamp cohort, offered by Pathway X P-Club IIT Kanpur x CoPS IIT BHU %
- Selected for ACM India Summer Schools 2024, to be held at IIT Bombay, offered by Trust Lab, IIT Bombay.
  Only 40 students are shortlisted from all over India, based on profile shortlisting.
  Name of the school offered: Theoretical Foundations of Cryptography
  (To be held from June 3 to 13, 2024)
- Attended the workshop on Data and AI with Microsoft Azure held On Campus (on 10 April 2024, at L7 (LHC))

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

- Supervised Machine Learning: Regression and Classification, by deeplearning.AI & Stanford &
- Advanced Learning Algorithms, by deeplearning.AI & Stanford &
- The joy of computing using Python, by NPTEL, IIT Madras
- Introduction to Generative AI, by Google Cloud Skills %
- Data Analytics Methods for Marketing by Meta<sup>®</sup>
- Participated in the ISRO- Outreach Programme: and completed the following courses:
  - o Basics of Remote Sensing Geographical Information System and Global Navigation SatelliteSystem 🗞
  - Overview of Web GIS Technology %
  - Earth Observation for Carbon Cycle Studies %

## EXTRA-CURRICULARS

- Part Of American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) college chapter, VIT Vellore . (Dec'17-Dec'19) I have made significant contributions in roles such as coordinator, events management, and primarily as a member of the design team. My skills encompass proficiency in Photoshop and Premiere Pro.
- 2018, Crew member, Mechnovate 2018, an event by ASME India, VIT Vellore %
- 2019, Coordinator, International Conference on Materials, Manufacturing and Modelling (ICMMM) 2019, organized by the School of Mechanical Engineering (SMEC), VIT in association with ASME Chapter, VIT %
- 2019, Manager, E-Fest Asia Pacific 2019, an event by ASME, USA %

# NATIONAL LEVEL EXAMS TAKEN

- Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering, GATE in CSE, All India Rank: 507, Score: 690, Percentile: 99.33
  - Fundamental of computer science and engineering, Data Structure and Algorithms, Database, Computer Architecture, Computer Networks, Operating Systems, Compiler Design, Theory Of Computation, Digital Logic and Design, Discrete & Engineering Math. Scorecard