Tanmay Khandelwal

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# RESEARCH INTERESTS

• Passionate individual with research interests in Sound event detection, Natural language processing, Speech/Audio signal processing, and Machine learning

#### EDUCATION

## Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani

Pilani, India

Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical and Electronics Engineering; GPA: 8.43/10

Aug 2017 - Jun 2021

Relevant Courses: Neural Networks and Fuzzy Logic, Information Retrieval, Digital Image Processing, Data Mining, Signals and Systems, Linear Algebra, Calculus, Probability and Statistics, Optimization, Object Oriented Programming, Operating Systems

### Publications

- Tanmay Khandelwal, Rohan Kumar Das and Chng Eng Siong, "Is Your Baby Fine at Home? Baby Cry Sound Detection in Domestic Environments", in Asia-Pacific Signal and Information Processing Association (APSIPA) Annual Summit and Conference (ASC), pp. 275–280, 2022 [DOI]
- Tanmay Khandelwal and Rohan Kumar Das, "Dynamic Thresholding on FixMatch with Weak and Strong Data Augmentations for Sound Event Detection", in International Symposium on Chinese Spoken Language Processing (ISCSLP), pp. 428–432, 2022 [DOI]
- Tanmay Khandelwal, Rohan Kumar Das, Andrew Koh and Chng Eng Siong, "Leveraging Audio-Tagging Assisted Sound Event Detection using Weakified Strong Labels and Frequency Dynamic Convolutions", in IEEE Statistical Signal Processing Workshop (SSP), 2023
- Tanmay Khandelwal and Rohan Kumar Das, "Cross-dimensional interaction with Inverted Residual Triplet Attention for low-complexity Sound Event Detection", in Interspeech, 2023 (Submitted)
- Tanmay Khandelwal and Rohan Kumar Das, "Multi-Task Learning Framework for Sound Event Detection using Acoustic Characteristics of Sound Events", in Interspeech, 2023 (Submitted)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Fortemedia

Singapore

Research and Development Intern (Advisor: Dr. Rohan Kumar Das)

Sep 2021 - Present

- Lightweight attention module: Proposed to incorporate triplet attention into an inverted residual network to capture cross-dimensional interdependencies in sound event detection; thereby improving the baseline by 34.1% in terms of the PSDS metrics with only 27.6% parameters of the baseline
- Multi-task framework: Put forth a multi-task learning framework to aid the sound event detection model using the acoustic characteristics of sound events by incorporating joint-learning with weighted loss and shared layers, improving the SED system by 36.4% in PSDS metrics over the baseline..
- Dynamic Thresholding on FixMatch: Proposed to introduce dynamic thresholding into FixMatch using strong and weak data augmentations for sound event detection, to incorporate a curriculum into the learning of the model; thereby improving the state-of-the-art in PSDS metrics by 21.2%

## Speech and Language Laboratory, Nanyang Technological University (NTU)

Singapore

Research Assistant (Advisors: Dr. Chng Eng Siong, Dr. Rohan Kumar Das)

Sep 2021 - Aug 2022

- DCASE 2022 Task-4 Submission: Proposed a two-stage audio-tagging assisted sound event detection system utilizing pre-trained embeddings and Frequency-Dynamic Convolutions to exploit the unlabeled set; achieving state-of-the-art results with a 45.5% increase in PSDS metrics compared to the baseline
- Developed a low-complexity system (104k parameters) for infant cry detection in a domestic environment utilizing depth-wise-separable convolutions with highest F-score of 0.738 on the curated strongly labeled dataset from AudioSet

# CSIR-Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute (CEERI)

Pilani, India

Research Intern (Advisors: Dr. Nitin Chaturvedi, Dr. Dhiraj Sangwan)

Jan 2020 - Apr 2020

- Optimized MASK-RCNN model for threat objection detection and segmentation in augmented images obtained from Baggage X-ray scan machines; achieving an accuracy of 81.2%
- Curated a subset from the GDXray dataset for the study by **embedding threat objects** into the background images and annotated using **VGG Image Annotator** to create a polygon mask

## Healthcare Technology Innovation Centre (HTIC)

Chennai, India

Research Intern (Advisor: Keerthi Ram)

May 2019 - Jul 2019

- o Contributed to the connectivity search tool prototype being created in the Centre for Computational Brain Research (CCBR) of Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M), to be used in the Brain Architecture Portal of Cold Spring Harbor Lab, NY
- Built the prototype using spaCy with corpus scraped from neuroscience articles to incorporate types of neuroscience corpora to corroborate visual patterns with evidence of connectivity as reported in published literature and provide a summary of the selected article

### Bajaj Finserv Health Limited

Backend Developer Intern

Pune, India

- Jul 2020 Aug 2021
- Designed and implemented microservices in Java and TypeScript for doctor's practice management system, used by over 1000+ doctors daily for E-consultations
- Designed and implemented personalized **medication search** module with quick suggestions based on past history and patterns for doctors with **response time** < **50ms** using **Elastic Search**, resulting in reduced E-consultation time
- o Developed automated scripts to scrape data using Selenium to construct the database for medication search
- o Integrated modules with third-party services and mitigated code duplicity

# ShadowFax Technologies

Bangalore, India

May 2018 – Jul 2018

- Backend Developer Intern
  - $\circ \ \ \text{Contributed in integrating } \textbf{external } \textbf{APIs} \ \text{and } \textbf{developing } \textbf{data } \textbf{migration } \textbf{scripts} \ \textbf{using } \textbf{Python}, \textbf{Django}$
  - o Developed a heat map based on the location of the rider and used Google map APIs to visualize
  - o Collaborated with co-workers to establish backend conventions, principles and patterns

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## Sound Event Detection Session

Online

Teaching Assistant (Instructor: Dr. Chng Eng Siong)

Nov 2021

- Conducted an online practical session on sound event detection using PyTorch and Google Colab at Diponegoro University, Indonesia
- The session was aimed at helping around 300 undergraduate and graduate computer science students with their final-year projects

#### Microelectronics Circuit Course

Pilani, India

Teaching Assistant (Instructor: Dr. Anu Gupta)

 $Jan\ 2020-May\ 2020$ 

- Earned the position of Teaching Assistant in Microelectronics Circuit after placing in the top 95 percentile
- o Taught and led LTspice simulation sessions for about 250 sophomores with a group of 10 teaching assistants

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: Python, C++, Java, TypeScript, JavaScript, Matlab
- Frameworks: PyTorch, PyTorch-Lightning, TensorFlow, NodeJs, SpringBoot, NestJs, Django, MySQL, MongoDB
- Tools: Kubernetes, Docker, Git

#### Relevant Projects

# • Sentence retrieval and ranking system (Course Project: Information Retrieval)

Instructor: Dr. Abhishek

Designed and implemented an efficient and intelligent sentence retrieval framework for text documents using TF-IDF scores, cosine similarity and NLTK for text processing

## • Fast scene understanding for Autonomous Driving (Course Project: Neural Networks and Fuzzy Logic)

Instructor: Dr. Surekha Bhanot

Implemented the paper Fast scene understanding for Autonomous Driving from scratch in Tensorflow and compared the results with state-of-the-art models

# • Raspberry-Pi based water monitoring system using IoT

Instructor: Dr. Nitin Chaturvedi

Constructed a water quality measuring device to remotely transmit the data using pH, turbidity, conductivity sensors and code written in python

# EXTRA CURRICULAR AND VOLUNTARY EXPERIENCE

# Hindi Activity Society

Pilani, India

Representative and Joint Coordinator

Aug 2017 - May 2019

- Hindi Activity Society is a club in BITS-Pilani reckoned for organising debates, quizzes and literary fun activities
- $\circ$  Headed as the Joint Coordinator to organise events during the Technical Fest of the college APOGEE-2019
- o Coordinator of Mock Parliament, a small-scale event that mimics the Indian Parliament by holding debates and discussions on current issues in our country

### Nirmaan Organization

Pilani, India

Volunteer

Jan 2018 - May 2018

- o Nirmaan is an organisation devoted to aiding low-family income students to pursue school-level education
- o Taught English and Maths to students in grades 1-5 to help them gain a thorough understanding of the subjects