# Ashutosh Tiwari

Computational Data Science Grad Student with six years of work experience, can join July 3 812-606-5974 | findashutoshtiwari@gmail.com | Linkedin @ashutosh-tiwari | Homepage | Github @thunderock

#### EDUCATION

Indiana University, Bloomington (OPT start date July 3, 2023)

Master of Science in Data Science (Computational and Analytical Track) 3.87/4.0

Bloomington, IN

Aug. 2021 - May. 2023

National Institute of Technology

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science 8.32/10.0

Patna, India Aug. 2011 – Jun. 2015

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Accepted at NetSci 2023 (Poster Presentation) and IC2S2 2023 (Parallel Talk) as first author

[1] **Ashutosh Tiwari**, Prof. Sadamori Kojaku, Prof. Yong-Yeol Ahn, "Biased Contrastive Learning debiases Graph Neural Networks," *International Conference on Network Science (NetSci)*, 2023.

In this work, we propose a non-parametric contrastive learning framework to learn debiased graph embeddings with respect to sensitive node attributes and structural homophily. Through empirical evaluations on different datasets, we demonstrate that our method offers a better approach to debiasing compared to existing approaches and thus results in more organic recommendations across different GNN architectures.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

# Senior Software Dev Engineer (ML Platform)

Jan. 2019 - Jul. 2021

SWIGGY

DATA SCIENCE PLATFORM, TIME SERIES FORECASTING

- Was part of team that worked on Feature Store and pipeline which feeds on-demand features to deployed ML models at production scale(4Bn rows, 1Mn QPS / day). Pipeline supported multichannel ingestion, i.e. Spark, Flink and user files etc.
- Founding member of Forecasting and Correlation Platform which was considered by many teams to forecast concerned time series. These forecasts power critical scaling decisions across organizations in real time.
- Led DAQ, a tool used to scrape APIs at scale. Used to collect data for analysis/ model training at a scale of 15 M rows daily.

#### Software Development Engineer (NLP)

Sep. 2017 – Jan. 2019

FLIPKART (a Walmart company)

SEARCH RELEVANCE, QUERY INTENT, NLP

- Was responsible for improvements/inception of search intent models(CRF/Neural Network based), identifying error classes, coming up with solutions, and fixing them. These models power user search and discovery for millions every day.
- Implemented a FastText based query store classifier, which predicts the category of a tail query.
- Implemented the first workflow to automate training and auto-deployment of various search models in Flipkart. First was written using Luigi and later migrated to Airflow.
- Wrote a generic framework using Airflow which at runtime creates generic dags for different ML models and orchestrates their training to deployment flow, including data and model validations.
- Implemented large scale (4Bn+ datapoints) pipelines using Cascading/HDFS to extract data from user events and then transform it to be used for training these models.

Worked on a component called Cyclops, an interface between Customer representatives and internal services.

## Software Development Engineer

Sep. 2016 – Sep. 2017

BACKEND ENGINEERING

<u>GROUPON</u>

Software Engineer

Sep. 2015 – Aug. 2016

NETSPEED SYSTEMS (Acquired by Intel)

GRAPH ALGORITHMS, NETWORK ON CHIP

• Led engineering efforts on modules like Polarity based Arbitration, Multi-Cast Filtering, Structural Latency Breakdown etc.

#### Research Experience / Independent Study

- Implementing novel training frameworks that result in unbiased (or fair) recommendation systems from "biased" datasets at IUNI with Prof. YY Ahn and Prof. S Kojaku as part of my Independent Study.

  Summer 2022 Present
- Working as a paid RA for, "User Intent as a Network" with Prof. YY Ahn, P Kantak and FB Yara. Project is funded by Kelly Business School. Goal is to be able to quantify and thus act upon that "intent" network. Summer 2022 Fall 2022
- Was part of NLP Lab@IUB with Prof. D Cavar. Contributed to design of TieML and Events' Timeline modelling. Fall 2021

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant for Network Science (INFO-I 606) with Prof. YY Ahn

Teaching Assistant for Machine Learning (CSCI-B 555) with Prof. R Khardon

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Spring 2023

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## SELECTED PROJECTS

BiasNet | Deep Reinforcement Learning, PyTorch, Actor Critic Algorithm, On-policy Model Free Code/Report • Learning to fight in Street Fighter II with induced relational bias from differential game scenes. Code/Report **DeepFoodie** | Python, Tensorflow, Self Supervised Deep Clustering, Deep Learning, Transfer Learning • Clustering dishes on basis of their ingredient embeddings. These ingredient embeddings are generated by a NN. BlindNet | Python, Pytorch, Deep Learning, Transfer Learning Code/Report • Image to vector generation on Coco dataset. Continuous Dominant Set Repair | C++, Graph Algorithms, Guha and Khuller's Algo., Greedy Code • Repairs a broken link in Continuous Dominant Set in  $O(\Delta^2)$ , where  $\Delta$  being the avg cardinality of connected graph. Humana Mays Healthcare Analytics Case Competition | Boosted Trees, Feature Engineering Code • 11th rank on leaderboard. Hosted by TAMU and Humana Mays, 2021. AnalyticsVidhya Solutions | Python, Tensorflow, Torch, Time Series, Feature Engineering, Cathoost Code Investigating Bias Manifolds | Bias Manifolds, Bias Progression, Measuring Bias, Python, Word2vec Code/Report

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Search Relevance, Recommendations, Graph Neural Networks, Fairness Aware Modeling, Computational ML, NLP, Computer Vision, DL, Spark, Python, Scala, C++, Contrastive Learning

Frameworks/Libraries/Tools: Pytorch Geometric, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Sklearn, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, AWS, HDFS, Spark, Kafka, Flink

## Relevant Courses

Computational ML(B555), Deep Learning(E533), Reinforcement Learning(B659), Computer Vision(B657), Statistics(S520), Independent Study (Working on Fairness Aware AI and Bias manifolds in Graph ML), Advanced Database Systems(B561)