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Education

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar

Bachelor of Technology (Honors) in Computer Science and Engineering

July 2017 – July 2021

Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India

- CGPA: 9.31 / 10.0. Class Rank: 3 / 55
- Thesis Advisor: [Dr. Sudipta Saha](#)

Research Interests

- Machine Learning + Systems, Operating Systems, Quantum Computing

Publications

Concurrent Transmission for Multi-Robot Coordination

RoboCom, CCNC 2022

Sourabha Bharadwaj, Karunakar Gonnabathula, Sudipta Saha, Chayan Sarkar, Rekha Raja

- A novel split architecture providing **centimeter**-level spatial and **millisecond**-level temporal precision in a low-resource, decentralized, 5-robot setup
- Won the **Best Paper Award** for our works and presentation with a cash prize of **1000€** sponsored by [Technology Innovation Institute, Abu Dhabi](#), along with an article featured on [TechXplore](#) and [NewsAzi](#)

Research Experience

Decentralized and Smart Systems Research Group (DSSRG)

IIT Bhubaneswar

Undergraduate Researcher, advised by Dr. Sudipta Saha

Jan 2021 – May 2021

- **Project:** [Network Structure Discovery in Large-scale Decentralized Network \(BTech Thesis\)](#)
- Implemented **network topology cognition** algorithms to estimate the central node in a large-scale decentralized wireless sensor network
- Devised a neighborhood-guided network discovery algorithm using the synchronous transmission protocol, [Glossy](#), achieving cognition within **50%** of total steps needed in the randomized algorithm
- Employed data compression via Run-Length Encoding to enable network graph sharing among nodes with as little as **8 Bytes** for up to **200 nodes** within a span of 10 milliseconds in each communication cycle when run on **Contiki-OS** and **Cooja** simulator, as well as public testbeds such as [Indriya](#) and [FlockLab](#)

Undergraduate researcher, advised by Dr. Sudipta Saha

July 2020 – Dec 2020

- **Project:** [Concurrent Transmission for Multi-Robot Coordination](#)
- Designed, implemented, and tested a novel split architecture for a low-resource, **multi-robot IoT environment**, enabling energy-efficient communication and computation using the synchronous communication protocol, [Glossy](#)
- Designed collaborative shape formation experiments like square-shape and concentric circles on 5 AlphaBot and GoPiGo bots run using **Raspberry Pi** for computation and **TelosB** for communication in leader-follower strategy for evaluation
- Achieved **millisecond**-level temporal precision and **centimeter**-level spatial precision with our novel strategy
- Published works at [CCNC 2022's RoboCom Workshop](#) and received Best Paper Award (Check [Publications](#))

Undergraduate researcher, advised by Dr. Sudipta Saha and Dr. [Animesh Srivastava](#) (Google)

July 2018 – July 2020

- **Project:** [Encrypted Display in AR/VR setup](#)
- Implemented a secured screen and window sharing and viewing service across Linux and Android devices in **C++**
- Exploited the **X11 Window System** to reorder window hierarchy, **UFW** to customize the firewall, **MPEG** to assist in video streaming, and **OpenCV** to dynamically track and decode secure screen's QR code and replace with desired windows in target devices

Work Experience

D. E. Shaw India (Data Warehouse and Analytics Team)

Bangalore, India

Member of Technical Staff

May 2021 – Sept 2023

- Integrated an internal **database versioning** tool to enable seamless monthly releases with hassle-free rollbacks
- Designed star-schema in **SQLServer** inspired by **Kimball dimensional model** for **7** scattered datasets ranging from applicants, compensation, employment to attrition for seamless and efficient querying with **50%** reduction in query size
- Designed and implemented **ETL pipelines** in **Java Spring Batch** and proprietary **Python** infra for real-time data aggregation and processing
- Optimized data fetching by building **GraphQL** APIs for firmwide teams to consume the processed data
- Setup backend system infra such as CNAMEs, **Kerberos** certificates, Load balancers, and **CRONs** to host the team's DWH application on dedicated restricted **Linux servers**
- Setup **ETL monitoring alerts**, data access audits, and **data integrity checks** to ensure high quality and accuracy of the warehouse data
- Spearheaded the design, discussions, and development of two data and visualization-intensive analysis tools built using **React/Redux**, **Highcharts**, and **Pivot tables** in **JavaScript** for leadership teams and HC to make impactful, data-driven decisions in the firm's employment and attrition processes

Winter Intern

Jan 2021 – May 2021

- Customized the **Jenkins CI/CD** pipeline and deployed internally with a suite of unit tests covering **functional tests** and **data quality** checks to ensure exhaustive pre-release testing
- Optimized statistical algorithms and **REST** APIs serving existing dashboard by reducing load-times by **30%** and data-transfer size by **20%**, fast-tracking the hiring processes across the firm
- Deployed the application over internal **cloud infra** for high-availability (HA) of the application

Summer Intern

Apr 2020 – June 2020

- Built **GraphQL** APIs, and customized and **chart-integrated Pivot tables** to enable seamless analyses over a large feature set of around **100** features in combined applicant and employment data
- Implemented **recursive GraphQL data-flattener** and **query constructor** algorithms to make the analysis tool dynamic and **GraphQL** schema-agnostic
- My internship experience was featured as a [LinkedIn post](#)

Scholastic Achievements

- Department rank **3** out of **55** students in the Computer Science branch at IIT Bhubaneswar at the end of 8 semesters, *2021*
- Secured **10/10 GPA** in Spring 2021 at IIT Bhubaneswar, *2021*
- Ranked **1764** out of **1.2 million** contesting candidates in **JEE Advanced** examination, *2017*
- Ranked **7** out of **200,000** contesting candidates in **Karnataka CET** (Engineering entrance) examination, *2016*

Relevant Coursework

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| • Data Structures | • Database Systems | • Coursera's ML Specialization (certificate) |
| • Analysis of Algorithms | • Machine Learning | • Coursera's DL Specialization (certificate) |
| • Operating Systems | • Discrete Structures | |
| • Computer Networking | • Software Engineering | |

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, Java, C++, JavaScript, SQL

Technologies/Frameworks: Linux, Contiki-OS, Spring Batch, GraphQL, Jenkins, React/Redux, TensorFlow, Git

Extracurricular

Neuromancers

Jan 2018 – May 2021

Member and Student Guide

IIT Bhubaneswar

- Participated in various coding competitions including ACM-ICPC as part of the institute's coding club
- Guided juniors in preparing and performing well for industry-based internship opportunities

Google Developer's Student Club

Jan 2020 – May 2021

Member and Student Guide

IIT Bhubaneswar

- Provided talks to juniors on using [Git](#), [GitHub](#), and [Object-oriented programming in Java](#)
- Collaborated and prepared a roadmap for juniors to advance in the fields of Machine and Deep Learning

National Service Scheme (NSS)

July 2017 – July 2018

Member

IIT Bhubaneswar

- Volunteered to teach science and mathematics to underprivileged Class I to Class X students at the institute adopted neighboring villages
- Volunteered to campaign and spread awareness in the villages about cleanliness and education