# **Anand Kumar**

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## **EDUCATION & RELEVANT COURSES**

## University of California, San Diego

Sept, 2023 - Mar, 2025

Master of Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering(MLDS)

CGPA: 4.00/4

Coursework: Computer Vision, GPU Programming, Statistical Learning, Linear Algebra and Applications

## National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli

July, 2019- May, 2023

Bachelor of Technology, Electrical and Electronics Engineering

CGPA: 9.39/10

Coursework: Machine Learning & Deep Learning, Industrial Automation, Modern Control Systems

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Anand, Nuno, et. al, IntroStyle: Introspective Style Attribution | CVPR 2025 (Review)
Anand et. al, GS-TransUNet: Gaussian splatting skin lesion analysis | SPIE Med Img. 2025

## **SKILLS**

Software & Tools Libraries Python, C++, CUDA, MatLab, SLURM, Kubernetes, JavaScript & SQL

PyTorch, TensorFlow, JAX, ROS, FAISS & Pandas

#### EXPERIENCE & INTERNSHIPS

## Training-Free Style Attribution using Diffusion Features

Jun, 2024 - Present

Summer Research Internship, Statistical Visual Computing Lab, UCSD

- Devised a training-free introspective technique to perform style attribution using Stable Diffusion features, supervised by Prof. Nuno. Improving Recall and mAP scores by 5% and 30% respectively as compared to the SOTA on WikiArt dataset.
- Crafted a synthetic (SHacks) dataset to isolate and evaluate fine-grained style using prompts. Our model outperforms SOTA in our synthetic dataset as well.

## Sleep Stage Prediction and Heart Score (Bachelor Thesis)

Sept, 2022 - Mar, 2023

ML Industrial Research Intern, Omnyk Inc., USA (Remote)

- Worked under Dr. Yogendra, along with a team of 3, to predict the patient's sleep stages using interbeat intervals (IBIs) from ECG heart data and perform sleep quality and heart health analysis for 10+ patients.
- Implemented Convolutional Squeeze-Excite Blocks in parallel to LSTM layers to improve confidence by 4.5% and inference time of 6.5ms using **PyTorch & Pandas**.

#### Video Compression using VAE-GAN

June, 2022 - Aug, 2022

Computer Vision Intern, Leibniz University Hannover (TNT Lab) | DAAD-WISE Scholarship - Certificate

- Worked under Dr. Ostermann and Mr. Benjak to implement hyperlatent Variational Auto Encoder GAN (VAE-GAN) for video compression to produce variable bit-rates and perceptibly similar reconstructions.
- Developed a **PyTorch** architecture using Pyramid, Warping & Cost Volume network (PWC Net) to predict motion vectors and achieve better results ( $\sim 3\%$ ) than the baseline on PSNR, MS-SSIM and LPIPS metrics.

#### **PROJECTS**

## **CUDA Optical Flow**

Sep, 2024 - Dec, 2024

ECE 277 - GPU Programming - Github

- Implemented a CUDA workflow for Lucas-Kanade optical flow algorithm with optimizations based on NSight Compute Profiler.
- Improved frames processed per second (FPS) by 40× compared to naive CPU implementation using Array of Structure (AoS).

## Evaluating Effectiveness of Chain-of-thought prompting for small models

Sep, 2024 - Dec, 2024

 $\ensuremath{\mathrm{CSE}}$ 291 - Advanced Data Mining - Report

- Coordinated with a team of 4 to evaluate small LLMs (Llama 3.2 1B) on benchmark datasets: LogiQA, GSM8k, and QuaRTz.
- Compared keyword and Chain-of-Thought (CoT) prompting techniques to discover keyword prompting is effective with 1-3% drop in accuracy.

## Sparse-view 3D Reconstruction using Gaussian Splatting

Dec, 2023 - Jun, 2024

Statistical Visual Computing Lab, UCSD

• Collaborated with Prof. Nuno to develop a variance-based view sampler for 3D-consistent view synthesis, using diffusion models to guide NeRF in sparse-view unbounded scenes. Random sampling provided robust results across all metrics.

## Zero-GRIC: Graph Retriever for Zero-shot Image Captioning

Mar, 2024

ECE 285 - Intro to Visual Learning - Report

- Developed a robust framework for zero-shot image captioning with CLIP, graph convolutional networks(GCN) and BLIP-2.
- Formulated a three-pronged approach: Knowledge Database, Retrieval-based Fusion, and Caption Generation; to enhance performance by  $\sim 25\%$  on MS-COCO subset.