

# BIDUR KHANAL

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**Research Interests:** Deep learning, computer vision, medical image analysis, multi-modal active learning, continual learning, learning with noisy labels

## EDUCATION

### Ph.D. in Imaging Science

Rochester Institute of Technology

*Aug 2020 - Present*

*Rochester, NY, USA*

**Advisor:** Prof. Cristian A. Linte

**Research Topic:** *Medical Image Analysis using Deep learning from Data with Limited Label or Noisy Labels*

**Courses:** Mathematics for Deep Learning, Deep Learning for Computer Vision, Image Processing and Computer Vision, Human Visual System, Fourier Methods for Imaging, Probability Noise and System Modeling

### Winter School in AI

*Dec 20 - 30, 2018*

NepAI Applied Mathematics and Informatics Institute for Research (NAAMII)

*Dec 10 - 20, 2019*

**Short Courses:** Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics, Natural Language Processing, VAEs and GANs

### Bachelor's in Electronics and Communication Engineering

*Nov 2013 - Dec 2017*

Institute of Engineering, Pulchowk Campus, Tribhuvan University

*Lalitpur, Nepal*

## PUBLICATION

- Suman Sapkota\*, **Bidur Khanal**, Binod Bhattarai, Bishesh Khanal, and Tae-Kyun Kim. Label geometry aware discriminator for conditional generative networks. *ICPR*, 2022. [\* denotes equal contribution]
- **Bidur Khanal**, Pravin Pokhrel, Bishesh Khanal, and Basant Giri. Machine-learning-assisted analysis of colorimetric assays on paper analytical devices. *ACS omega*, 6(49):33837–33845, 2021
- **Bidur Khanal** and Christopher Kanan. How does heterogeneous label noise impact generalization in neural nets? In *International Symposium on Visual Computing*, pages 229–241. Springer, 2021
- Liansheng Wang, Cong Xie, Yi Lin, Hong-Yu Zhou, **Bidur Khanal**, Bishesh Khanal, et al. Evaluation and comparison of accurate automated spinal curvature estimation algorithms with spinal anterior-posterior x-ray images: The aasce2019 challenge. *Medical Image Analysis*, 72:102115, 2021
- **Bidur Khanal**, Lavsén Dahal, Prashant Adhikari, and Bishesh Khanal. Automatic cobb angle detection using vertebra detector and vertebra corners regression. In *International Workshop and Challenge on Computational Methods and Clinical Applications for Spine Imaging*, pages 81–87. Springer, 2019

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### Programming Languages

Python(Proficient), C/C++, MATLAB

### Python Packages

Pytorch, Tensorflow, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Numpy, Scipy, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, OpenCV, Regex, Jupyter

### Tools and Frameworks

Git, Bash, Conda, Slurm, AWS, LaTeX, Raspberry-Pi

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Biomedical Modeling, Visualization and Image-guided Navigation Lab

*July, 2021 - Present*

*Research Assistant*

*Rochester, NY*

- Investigated how the label noise impacts deep learning based classification in medical image dataset under various settings, developing methods to reduce the influence of noisy labels.
- Working on developing multi-modal deep active method for semantic segmentation of medical 2D images that ranks the incorrect samples, in a dataset, for label correction based on their importance in learning.

### Machine and Neuromorphic Perception Laboratory

*May, 2021 - June 2022*

*Research Assistant*

*Rochester, NY*

- Accessed the impact of class-dependent, task-dependent, and label-dependent heterogeneous noisy labels on multi-class classification, multi-task learning, and multi-label learning settings respectively, in vision tasks.

- Worked on developing efficient online learning classifier using a proposed large-margin regularized discriminant analysis that is capable of learning from single pass through the dataset while being computationally efficient.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Deep Learning Engineer

*Zeg, 3D AI solution Company (Worked remotely, part-time)*

*Dec, 2019 - Aug 2020*

*London, UK*

- Worked on adding realism in computer rendered images: built and fine-tuned GAN models for conditional image domain translation.
- Worked on 2D image to 3D model pipeline: developed deep learning based algorithm for detecting keypoints in 2D images for 3D modeling.

### Research Assistant

*NepAI Applied Mathematics and Informatics Institute for Research (NAAMII)*

*April 2019 - Aug 2020*

*Kathmandu, Nepal*

- Spine Curvature Estimation from X-ray Images: Developed deep learning framework for automatic vertebra detection, spinal curvature estimation and cobb angle calculation to detect scoliosis from X-ray images. Work presented at MICCAI 2019 AASCE Challenge.
- Estimating Pesticide Concentration with Smartphone: Created a new dataset for estimating food dye and pesticide concentration from smartphone images of assays, using machine learning framework. Designed image pre-processing pipeline and accessed/analyzed ML models (SVM, Logistic Regression, Random Forest and neural nets) in classifying concentration labels. Work is published in ACS omega journal.

### Teaching Assistant

*Second Nepal Winter School in AI, organized by NAAMII*

*Dec 10-20 2019*

*Pokhara, Nepal*

- Prepared lab assignments on deep learning basics using pytorch, supervised and taught beginner students during the lab.

### Firmware/Image Processing Engineer

*Nepal Digital Systems (startup company)*

*Feb 2018 - Aug 2018*

*Kathmandu, Nepal*

- Motion detection enabled security system: Wrote source code to interface Raspberry Pi with picamera and gsm/gps module, developed algorithms for robust motion detection, implemented TCP/IP server/client model on Raspberry Pi for home automation application.
- Crack detection and elongation measurement in material under strain: Developed an efficient algorithm for Raspberry-Pi using OpenCV to estimate strength of a specimen using from images of specimen under strain.

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND HONORS

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### RIT PhD. Merit Scholarship/ Assistantship

*Aug 2020 - Present*

**AWARE-AI NSF Research Trainee**, Rochester Institute of Technology

*Jan 22, 2022 - Present*

**Treasurer of Nepal Student Association**, Rochester Institute of Technology

*April 2020 - April 2021*

**Merit-Based Scholarship for Children of Government Employees**,

Provided by: Government of Nepal, Ministry of General Administration (MoGA)

*2018*

**Sujan Tuladhar Memorial Science Fair Award**, Gold Medal for best science project of the year

*2010*

**Merit-Based Partial Tuition Waiver**, Tribhuvan University

*Nov 2013 - Dec 2017*

**Appearance in National Television as an Idea Presenter**,

Received the best idea award under Energy and Sustainability Category

*2017*