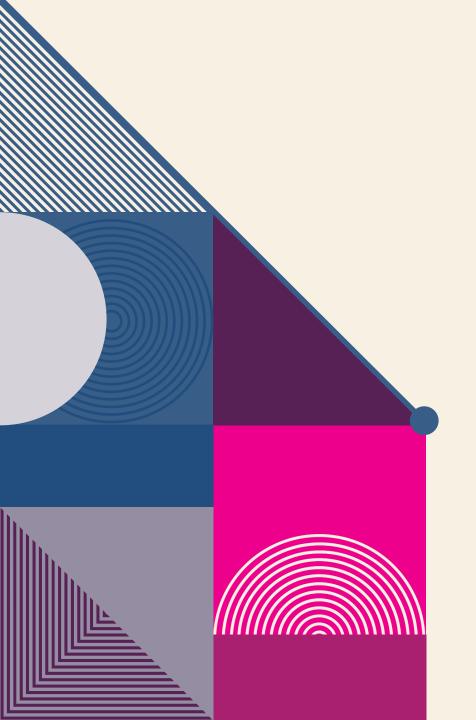


## MID TERM PROGRESS

- Presented by: Sai Chandra Sri Ramula
- Course/Project: IMAGE CAPTIONING SYSTEM
- •Overview: A walkthrough of our Image Captioning project, including progress, challenges.



### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

- •Problem Statement: Automatically generating textual descriptions for images using AI.
- Dataset: Flickr8k (8,000 images with multiple captions).
- •Objective: Build a Data Science model that can generate captions based on image content.
- •Approach:
- •Extracted image features using CNN (InceptionV3, ResNet50).
- •Used RNN (LSTM) with Attention to generate captions.

# METHODOLOGY & PROGRESS

#### 1.Data Preparation & Text Preprocessing

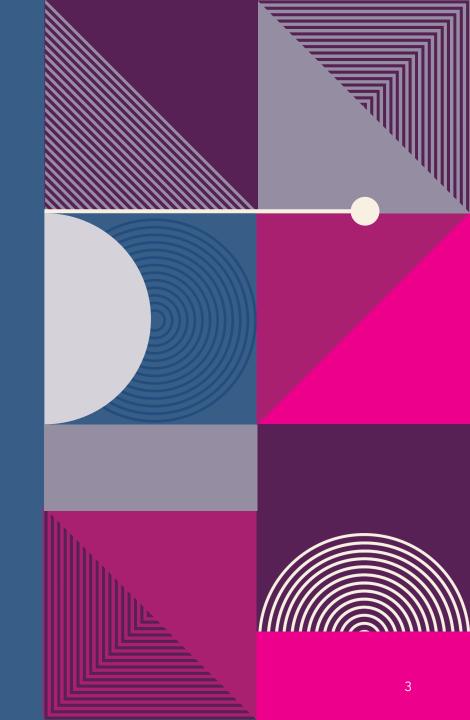
- •Loaded dataset and split into Train, Validation, and Test sets.
- •Cleaned captions by removing punctuation and converting to lowercase.
- •Tokenized captions and created word-to-index mappings.
- •Applied padding for uniform sequence length.

#### 2. Feature Extraction & Analysis

- •Used InceptionV3 & ResNet50 for feature extraction.
- •Saved extracted features (Features.pkl) for efficient training.
- •Conducted PCA & t-SNE analysis to compare extracted features.

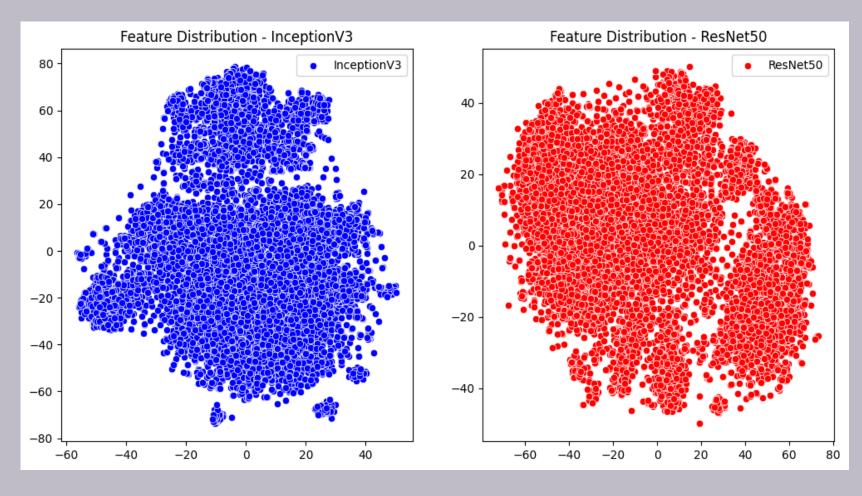
#### 3. Model Definition & Training

- •Implemented CNN Encoder + RNN Decoder (LSTM + Attention).
- •Trained the model successfully.
- •Faced Overfitting Issues (accuracy reached 1.0000 too fast).





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## **ADDRESSING OVERFITTING**

#### OVERFITTING IN MODEL TRAINING & FIXES

#### •Problem:

- Loss dropped too quickly.
- Validation accuracy was unrealistically high.

#### •Fixes Applied:

- Added Dropout (reduces model overfitting).
- Applied L2 Regularization.
- Checked dataset split to ensure correct validation.

#### •Next Steps:

- Evaluate model on unseen images.
- Fine-tune model with different hyperparameters.



## CONCLUSION

#### Summary:

- Explained dataset, text preprocessing, methodology, training, and overfitting issue.
- Discussed how we addressed overfitting.
- Next steps: Improve captioning performance and optimize model inference.

#### Future Work:

- Implement different decoding strategies (Beam Search, Greedy decoding).
- Experiment with different pre-trained CNN architectures for better feature extraction.(Like Resnet50)
- Further improve text preprocessing and feature Extraction to handle complex captions.

#### Open for Questions!

