

# Sudarshana Lakshmi Krishna

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## Education

**North Carolina State University, Raleigh**

**Master of Science in Electrical Engineering, GPA: 3.667**

*August 2019 - May 2021*

**Courses:** Digital Imaging Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Random Processes, Computer vision, Neural Networks, Artificial Intelligence, deeplearning.ai(Coursera), Data Science(Coursera- from John Hopkins University), Machine Learning(Coursera- from Stanford), NLP(Coursera)

## Skills

**Programming Languages** Python, C/C++, LaTeX, MATLAB

**Softwares** Arduino Software(IDE), MATLAB App Designer, VSCode, Microsoft Office, Jupyter notebook

**Libraries & Toolboxes** MATLAB Image and Signal Processing ToolBox, numpy, scipy, openCV, scikit-learn, pandas

**Deep Learning Platforms** Tensorflow, Keras

**OS** Windows, Linux

## Experience

**North Carolina State University**

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**STUDENT RESEARCHER - DOMAIN: COMPUTER VISION - OBJECT DETECTION**

- Took lead individually on project 'Auto Context Region based Convolutional Neural Networks(R-CNN)' under Prof. Dr. Tianfu Wu.
- Incorporating open source 'mmdetection toolbox' features to re-create auto context based object detection.

**Image Processing and Computer Vision(IPCV) Lab, Indian Institute of Technology,**

**Madras(IITM), India**

*May 2018 - July 2018*

**SUMMER INTERN - DOMAIN: IMAGE PROCESSING - IMAGE SEGMENTATION**

- Developed a solution to **Dirt Detection on Camera Lens** under Prof. Dr. A.N.Rajagopalan.
- Devised an algorithm using MATLAB to detect regions of dirt on camera lens from captured images.
- Executed above solution through a combination of spatial gradient, spatial variance, temporal intensity differences and superpixel segmentation.
- Accomplished detection of solid dirt and water droplets.

## Projects

**Hyperparameter Tuning: Study of Babysitting Process for a Deep Learning model**

**DOMAIN: COMPUTER VISION- CLASSIFICATION MODEL OPTIMIZATION**

- Analysed model performance for both Multi Layer Perceptron(MLP) and Convolutional Neural Network(CNN) model by testing with CIFAR10 dataset on Keras.
- Studied changes in model behaviour by varying different hyperparameters - optimizer, decay rate, momentum, learning rate scheduler, filter size, dropout values.
- Procured a final testing accuracy of 88% on CNN model.

**Spam and Ham classification**

**DOMAIN: NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING (NLP)**

- Utilized 'SMS Spam Collection Data Set' from UC Irvine's Machine Learning Repository to create a 'Spam Filter'.
- Implemented a Naive Bayes Classifier for classification between Ham and Spam messages.
- Coded a model on Google Colab using Python 3.6 by calling functions for Naive Bayes classifier from scikit-learn.
- Achieved a precision of 94%.

**Classification of Mosquito Species based on Wing structure**

**DOMAIN: COMPUTER VISION- IMAGE CLASSIFICATION**

- Contributed in a team project aiming to distinguish between Restuans and Pipiens species of Culex mosquito variety.
- Implemented a transfer learning model of VGG19 trained on ImageNet to classify mosquito species based on wing structure as trial.
- Above procedure performed poorly on data set giving a validation accuracy of 49% and testing accuracy of only 25%.
- Built a final CNN model mimicking a few layers from VGG leading to an accuracy of 68%.

**Identification of Leaf Wilting stages in Plants**

**DOMAIN: COMPUTER VISION- IMAGE CLASSIFICATION**

- Project involves classification of plant images into 5 different stages based on leaf wilting levels.
- Shared ideas in an inter-cultural team of 3 members from different countries.
- Pre-processed data set containing crop images with five leaf wilting stages for a Convolutional Neural Network(CNN) model.
- Took initiative in preparing data set and applying data augmentation techniques using openCV in Python 3.6.
- Performed flip, crop, gaussian blur, image pixel enhancement methods to increase data set variability and size.
- Model created,gave an overall accuracy of 47%.

**AdaBoost based Face Classification**

**DOMAIN: COMPUTER VISION - MACHINE LEARNING - IMAGE CLASSIFICATION**

- Built AdaBoost algorithm from scratch using Python 3.6 on VSCode platform, exercising haar-ike features for weak classifiers.
- Compiled 10 best type-2-y and type-3-x haar features during training.
- Training images were of dimensions: 16x16x3, while it was tested on images of 20x20x3 dimensions.
- Evaluated model proved to be higher than random guess when tested with ROC plot as metric.