# Abhishek Sinha

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### **INTERESTS**

COMPUTER VISION, ACTIVE LEARNING, SELF-SUPERVISED LEARNING, ANOMALY DETECTION, GENERATIVE MODELS

### **EDUCATION**

#### STANFORD UNIVERSITY

MS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sept. 2019 - June 2021 Cum. GPA: 4.13/4.0

#### **IIT KHARAGPUR**

BTECH IN E & ECE

2013-2017 | Kharagpur, India Minor in Computer Science Cum. GPA: 9.63 / 10.0 Minor Cum. GPA: 9.8 / 10.0

### **COURSEWORK**

#### **GRADUATE**

CS 221, CS 231N, CS 236, CS 234, CS 224N, CS 271

#### **UNDERGRADUATE**

Deep Learning
Data Structures and Algorithms

### ACHIEVEMENTS

#### YOUNG ENGINEER AWARD

Won the Outstanding Young Engineers Award at Adobe Inc.

#### **ADOBE MAX**

My work on image synthesis was showcased on stage at Adobe MAX, 2019.

#### WINNER OF AI HACKATHON

Winner of the Microsoft Al Hackathon competition held at IIT Kharagpur.

#### SKILLS

Python • C • C++
TensorFlow • PyTorch • Caffe
OpenCV • Scikit-learn • Numpy

## **POSITIONS**

REVIEWER FOR NEURIPS 2021, ICLR 2022 COURSE ASSISTANT, CS 330

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### WAYMOLLC | SOFTWARE ENGINEER

June 2021 - Present | Mountain View, USA

• Working on internal tools for data mining and understanding.

## WAYMO LLC | PERCEPTION RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INTERN

June 2020 - September 2020 | Mountain View, USA

• Implemented various active learning algorithms for 3D detection of vehicles and pedestrian over Waymo Open Dataset.

#### **STANFORD UNIV.** | RESEARCH ASSISTANT UNDER STEFANO ERMON

January 2020 - Present | Stanford, USA

• Worked towards improving generative models and representation learning models, and also using them for anomaly detection.

#### **ADOBE | SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT ENGINEER-2**

June 2017 - August 2019 | Noida, India

• Worked on a deep learning based visual search product for apparels which accepts images, segments them and then recommends related desired products.

#### **ADOBE | INTERN**

May 2016 - July 2016 | Noida, India

• Developed a system to accelerate training of neural networks.

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

## COMPARING DISTRIBUTIONS BY MEASURING DIFFERENCES THAT AFFECT DECISION MAKING ORAL | ICLR, 2022

- Proposed a way to measure the discrepancy between two probability distributions based on optimal decision loss.
- Our approach outperformed prior approaches for two-sample tests.

## D2C: DIFFUSION-DENOISING MODELS FOR FEW-SHOT CONDITIONAL GENERATION | NEURIPS, 2021

- Improved the representation learning and generation abilities of VAE via contrastive loss and strong prior using diffusion models respectively.
- The model outperformed state-of-the art VAE and diffusion models for few-shot conditional image generation tasks.

#### **NEGATIVE DATA AUGMENTATION** | ICLR, 2020

- Proposed a new training objective for GAN and contrastive learning approaches using negative data augmentation.
- Achieved significant improvement in conditional/unconditional image generation and representation learning over images and videos.

## INTROSPECTION: ACCELERATING NEURAL NETWORK TRAINING BY LEARNING WEIGHT EVOLUTION | ICLR, 2017

• Developed an algorithm to speed up training of deep neural networks by predicting future weight values.

## CHARTING THE RIGHT MANIFOLD: MANIFOLD MIXUP FOR FEW-SHOT LEARNING | WACV 2020

• Used self-supervision techniques - rotation and exemplar, followed by manifold mixup for few-shot tasks.

## POWERING ROBUST FASHION RETRIEVAL WITH INFORMATION RICH FEATURE EMBEDDINGS | BEST PAPER AWARD AT CVPR

WORKSHOP, 2019

• Proposed a grid based training of siamese networks, allowing it to observe mutiplte positive and negative image instances simultaneously.