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## Education

### University of Michigan

Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Specialization: Signal & Image Processing and Machine Learning

Aug 2022 – May 2024

Ann Arbor, Michigan  
GPA: 3.97/4.0

### National Institute of Technology Karnataka

Bachelor of Technology in Electronics and Communication Engineering  
Honors: Machine Learning and Signal Processing

Aug 2018 – April 2022

Karnataka, India  
GPA: 3.87/4.0

## Experience

### Kim's Lab, University of Michigan

Research Assistant (Computer Vision and LiDAR Perception)

Ann Arbor, Michigan

May 2023 - Present

- Integrated bounding box-based late temporal fusion method using a dynamic sparse-voxel transformer model to process NuScenes LiDAR input at 20 Hz, combining past detected boxes with LiDAR points, simulating real-time constraints in autonomous vehicle setups.
- Finetuned the state of the art BEVFusion for 3D bounding box detection by only utilizing **50%** of the lidar beams, achieving a mAP of 0.601 and NDS of 0.63 on **NuScenes dataset** using subsampled point clouds.
- Currently developing a Stream-PETR based framework for effective multi-sensor temporal fusion with camera, LiDAR and IMU.
- Developed novel diffusion sampling algorithms for inverse imaging problems, enhancing the quality and fidelity of the samples of **latent diffusion models**, achieving an FID score of 37.2, **an improvement of 17.2%** over the baseline model.

### Skylark Labs

Machine Learning Intern (Representation Learning and Computer Vision)

Dover, Delaware

June 2023 – August 2023

- Designed a framework using a pre-trained RegNet model to achieve a **recall of 65% in self-learning** new categories by storing **multi-scale quantized features** to recognize pre-trained classes.
- Trained the neural network with a vector-quantized feature extractor to learn efficient multi-scale features of objects in natural scenes, enhancing the accuracy of the model by **12%** to detect objects from newly learned classes.
- Implemented the system to work on a **single core of a CPU** to run at about **3 fps** while storing features of new classes encountered.

### SixSense Corporation

Computer Vision Intern (Automatic Augmentation and Multiclass Classification)

Jalan Besar, Singapore

January 2022 – April 2022

- Worked on detecting and classifying defects in semiconductor chips using Faster RCNN.
- Trained a stochastic **automatic augmentation** framework based on **Fast AutoAugment** on a ResNet50 model to techniques for several public datasets like CIFAR-100 and in-house datasets which improved the average accuracy by 2.3%. Integrated the automatic augmentation to the defect detection pipeline, improving the **accuracy by 1.4%**.

## Projects

### Autolabelling Driving Scenes in Cityscapes using DiNO and Segment Anything

November 2024

- Developed an ML pipeline to auto-label the Cityscapes dataset by combining DiNO (for 2D RoI extraction) with Segment Anything Model for semantic labels of road markings.
- Trained a YOLOv11-seg model for semantic segmentation of road markings, achieving robust performance with minimal manual annotation.
- Exported the trained model to .engine format and integrated it into a TensorRT real-time inference pipeline for road marking detection, suitable for deployment on Jetson Devices.

### Translating Cartoon to Natural Images using Stable Diffusion

November 2023

- Implemented an image-to-image translation system from cartoon Tom and Jerry images to real cat and mouse images using diffusion models.
- Implemented a Stable Diffusion utilizing BLIP-based text guidance to translate cartoon images to real-like images, achieving an FID score of 46.32 comparing the real-ness of the images generated.

### Block-Based Compressed Sensing for Natural Images and Videos

January 2023

- Innovated a block-based compressed sensing approach for natural images and videos, leveraging deep learning inspired by the insights from the paper "Video Compressed Sensing Using a Convolutional Neural Network."
- Trained the model and achieved a compression factor of 0.1 on non-keyframes of videos of KITTI Dataset.

## Technical Skills

**Languages/OS:** Python, C, C++, Cuda, MATLAB, Shell Scripting, Linux

**Developer Tools:** OpenCV, SLURM, Git, Open3D, ROS, Docker

**Machine Learning Tools:** Pytorch, Pytorch-Lightning, MMDetection3D, Pandas, TensorRT

**Technologies/Concepts:** Deep Learning, Image Processing, Point Cloud Processing, 3D Computer Vision, Lidar-Voxel Algorithms, Sensor Fusion in AV systems, Generative AI, Diffusion Models

**Soft Skills:** Professional Communication, Collaborative Working, Interpersonal Communication, Team Oriented, Fast Paced Learner