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## EDUCATION

### University of Southern California

Master of Science - Computer Science (Emphasis: Artificial Intelligence)

Los Angeles, CA

December 2023

### Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology

Bachelor of Engineering - Computer Science and Engineering

Bengaluru, India

July 2018

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Deep Learning Student Researcher (Computer Vision) – Laboratory of Neuro Imaging, USC

Los Angeles, CA

Research Focus- Multi site MRI Data Harmonization for Alzheimer's Disease (AD) Analysis

May 2022-Present

- Developed a **3D Cycle Generative Adversarial Network** to harmonize MRI data between scanners for better understanding of AD.
- Developing an **Attention Gated Transformer** for unpaired image-to-image translation.

### Machine Learning Student Researcher - Dept. of Population and Public Health Sciences, USC

Los Angeles, CA

Research Focus- AI for Empathy in Healthcare

March 2022 - Present

- Spearheading a project to devise an automatic speech and language processing pipeline to diarize and recognize using **RNN-Transducers** and Attention based models. This will accelerate the manual process of annotation by at-least **10X**.

### Research Engineer – Philips Innovation R&D

Bengaluru, India

Research Focus- Ultrasound Medical Imaging using Computer Vision and Deep Learning

Aug 2018 - Dec 2022

- Researched and developed a **real-time pose estimation model** to track systole and diastole phases of a fetal heart. Developed Deep Learning architectures for high accuracy **semantic segmentation** of anatomies of fetal heart.
- Researched and developed **reinforcement learning** agent to acquire and learn behavior of key-planes in a fetal heart. Improved the performance of the plane identification algorithm from **69% to 84%**.
- Spear-headed the team to pass **Principle Proven** and **Function Proven** milestones. Core-team member of funded innovation by **Bill & Gates Foundation of \$15M**.

### Co-founder and Chief Technological Officer – AIVolved Technologies Pvt Ltd

Bengaluru, India

Research Focus- Automatic Biometric GAIT Analysis using Computer Vision and Deep Learning

Nov 2019 - Dec 2021

- Researched, Developed and Spearheaded a portable product named '**Postura**' that extracts Biometric GAIT features for diagnosis purposes. Raised funding of **\$500K** by Ramaiah Evolute and Govt. of India.

## PROJECTS

[1] Little GO - USC: Designed an AI agent using reinforcement learning which learns the rules of Go Game and plays against different players using minmax and alpha-beta pruning.

## COPYRIGHTS

[1] Modelling of Transitions in Video Using Textures. Registration Number: SW-14707/2017. Granted by Govt. of India.

## PATENTS (Filed by Koninklijke Philips N. V)

[1] Methods for Guided 3D ultrasound acquisition using Spatio-Temporal Image Correlation (App no: PCT/EP2021/081925)

[2] Automatic Intelligent Visualization and Interaction using Real Time View Plane Classification and Pose Estimation (App no: PCT/EP2021/080229)

[3] Automating Localization and Estimation of Heartbeat in First Trimester Ultrasound Scans (App no: PCT/EP2022/066933)

[4] AI Based Approach to improve Ultrasound Image Quality. (App no: 2020ID01990)

## PUBLICATIONS

[1] Soumabha Bhowmick, **Giridhar NR**, Celine Firtion, Karthik Krishnan, Subhendu Seth and Pallavi Vajinepalli. E-FTUS: an Early First Trimester Ultrasound Scan Assistance. Publisher: Philips Research Global – OCUPAI 2020.

[2] Karthik Krishnan, **Giridhar NR**, Celine Firtion and Pallavi Vajinepalli. Real Time Deep Pose Estimation in Ultrasound. Publisher: Philips Research Global – OCUPAI 2020

[3] **Giridhar NR**, Aniketh Manjunath and Jharna Majumdar. Modelling Fade Transition in a video using Texture Methods. ICCMLA Goa 2020. Publisher: [Springer, Singapore](#).

[4] **Giridhar NR**, Gagan PE and Jharna Majumdar. Autonomous Mobile Robot Navigation on Identifying Road Signs using ANN. IIT Kanpur 2019. Publisher: [IEEE](#)

[5] Aniketh Manjunath, **Giridhar NR** Jharna Majumdar. Optical Flow for Detection of Transitions in Video, Face and Facial Expression. IEEE SAI Computing Conference, London - 2018. Publisher: [Springer, Cham](#).

[6] Sudip Gupta, **Giridhar NR** and Jharna Majumdar. Human Tracking by a Mobile Robot in Low Illumination Environment Publisher: [IEEE](#)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

C, C++, CUDA C++, Python, TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, Caffe, OpenCV, cuDNN, TensorRT, OpenVINO, Linux, Git, Statistical Analysis, Digital Image Processing, Computer Vision, NLP, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Adversarial Networks, Transformers, Problem solving.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Oct' 21: Start Startup Award from Ramaiah Evolute for 'Postura'.
- June 20: Individual Award (Philips) – 'Take ownership to deliver fast' to boost the accuracy of algorithm from 69% to 84%
- May 19: Individual Award (Philips) – Bringing wAssist-AI from research prototype to product in record time
- Apr' 18: DRDO: DRUSE Design and Development of Human Tracking Mobile Robot for Defense Application. Top 10 among 15000 teams to represent South India.
- Dec' 16: Placed 2<sup>nd</sup> among 850 teams in Nokia Innovation Day - Campus