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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My long-term goal is to build intelligent agents that can *see* (through vision, audio, and other senses), *interact* (navigate and act in an environment), and *reason* (plan long-term actions from sparse rewards).

EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park Aug. 2018 - May 2023
Ph.D. in Computer Science (4.0/4.0), Kulkarni fellow, Dean's fellow, Outstanding GRA Award
Advisors: Larry Davis, Abhinav Shrivastava
Thesis: Learning and Composing Primitives for the Visual World

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi Aug. 2007 - Dec. 2012
Bachelors + Masters in Electrical Engineering (8.6/10.0)
Advisor: Sanjiv Singh (Carnegie Mellon University)
Thesis: Pose Estimation for a Micro-Aerial Vehicle in GPS-denied environments

WORK EXPERIENCE

Tesla Bot (Optimus) May 2023 –
Staff Machine Learning Scientist Palo Alto, CA
• Building end-to-end training pipelines for Imitation Learning and Reinforcement Learning for robot manipulation and navigation
• Developing eval suites to measure success rate, reliability, and speed of the robots for real-world deployment

Google Research May 2022 – Aug. 2022
Research Intern (web) Mountain View, CA (Remote)
• 3D object reconstruction from in-the-wild Image Collections

NVIDIA AI May 2021 – Aug. 2021
Research Intern Santa Clara, CA (Remote)
• Generative modeling of textured meshes

Amazon AWS May 2019 – Aug. 2019
Research Intern (web) Pasadena, CA
• Generative modeling of layouts for diverse domains such as 3D objects, Wireframes, Documents, etc.

NetraDyne Mar. 2017 – Aug. 2018
Staff Research Engineer Bengaluru, India
Netradyne provides ADAS devices for commercial vehicles. Led a team of 4 to ship
• Distracted (texting, eating, drinking etc.) + drowsy driving detection pipeline for driver safety
• DriverI Fleet Safety and Coaching Platform to ingest and analyze millions of driving miles

Poolka Technologies Apr. 2016 – Feb. 2017
Cofounder, CTO Bengaluru, India
• Built **Fairi**, a fashion assistant chatbot that provides clothing recommendations based on social media trends and users' existing wardrobe. (Pose estimation, Clothing segmentation, Graph Convolutions, Language Models)
• Selected for **Microsoft Bizspark** and **IBM Global Entrepreneur** Program (>\$20000 cloud credits per year)

Big Data Labs, American Express July 2013 – Mar. 2016
Research Engineer, Risk & Information Management Bengaluru, India
• Large scale recommendation systems, Geometric deep learning on financial data.
• **Platinum Genius Medal** - Systems and methods for customized real time data delivery Dec. 2015
• **Trainer of the Quarter** - Hadoop course for >200 AmEx employees in NYC, Gurgaon, Bangalore Dec. 2014
• IMS Hackathon (Winner 2015, Runner-up 2014), RIM InnoVision Challenge (Runner-up 2013) 2013-2015

Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University June 2011 – June 2012
Research Intern Pittsburgh, PA
• Developed an approach to predict vineyard yields automatically and non-destructively with cameras (web)
• Estimated global pose of MAV using stereo visual odometry fused with infrequent GPS measurements (web)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND PATENTS

Visit Google Scholar [tC3td8cAAAAJ](#) for the complete list (* denotes equal contribution)

- Measuring Style Similarity in Diffusion Models *ECCV 2024* [[web](#), [code](#)] G. Somepalli, A. Gupta, **K. Gupta**, S. Palta, M. Goldblum, J. Geiping, A. Shrivastava, T. Goldstein
- EAGLES: Efficient Accelerated 3D Gaussians with Lightweight EncodingS *ECCV 2024* [[web](#), [code](#)] S. Girish, **K. Gupta**, A. Shrivastava
- LEIA: Latent View-invariant Embeddings for Implicit 3D Articulation *ECCV 2024* [[web](#), [code](#)] A. Swaminathan, A. Gupta, **K. Gupta**, SR Maiya, V. Agarwal, A. Shrivastava
- LiFT: A Surprisingly Simple Lightweight Feature Transform for Dense ViT Descriptors *ECCV 2024* [[web](#), [code](#)] S. Suri*, M. Walmer*, **K. Gupta**, A. Shrivastava
- SHACIRA: Scalable HAsh-grid Compression for Implicit Neural Representations *ICCV 2023* [[web](#), [code](#)] S. Girish, A. Shrivastava, **K. Gupta**
- Chop & Learn: Recognizing and Generating Object-State Compositions *ICCV 2023* [[web](#), [code](#)] N. Saini, H. Wang, A. Swaminathan, V. Jayasundara, B. He, **K. Gupta**, A. Shrivastava
- ASIC: Aligning Sparse in-the-wild Image Collections *ICCV 2023* [[web](#), [code](#)] **K. Gupta**, V. Jampani, C. Esteves, A. Shrivastava, A. Makadia, N. Snavely, A. Kar
- Teaching Matters: Investigating the Role of Supervision in Vision Transformers *CVPR 2023* [[web](#), [code](#)] M. Walmer*, S. Suri*, **K. Gupta**, A. Shrivastava
- LilNetX: Lightweight Networks with EXtreme Compression & Structured Sparsification *ICLR 2023* [[web](#), [code](#)] S. Girish, **K. Gupta**, S. Singh, A. Shrivastava
- Neural Space-Filling Curves *ECCV 2022* [[web](#), [code](#)] H. Wang, **K. Gupta**, L. Davis, A. Shrivastava
- PatchGame: Learning to Signal Mid-level Patches in Referential Games *NeurIPS 2021* [[web](#), [code](#)] **K. Gupta**, G. Somepalli, Anubhav, V. Jayasundara, M. Zwicker, A. Shrivastava
- LayoutTransformer: Layout Generation and Completion with Self-attention *ICCV 2021* [[web](#), [code](#)] **K. Gupta**, J. Lazarow, A. Achille, L. Davis, V. Mahadevan, A. Shrivastava
- The Lottery Ticket Hypothesis for Object Recognition *CVPR 2021* [[web](#), [code](#)] S. Girish*, S. Maiya*, **K. Gupta**, H. Chen, L. Davis, A. Shrivastava
- Improved Modeling of 3D Shapes with Multi-view Depth Maps *3DV 2020* [[web](#), [code](#)] **K. Gupta***, S. Reddy*, K. Shah*, A. Shrivastava, M. Zwicker
- PatchVAE: Learning Local Latent Codes for Recognition *CVPR 2020* [[web](#), [code](#)] **K. Gupta**, S. Singh, A. Shrivastava
- Applying Multi-Dimensional Variables to Determine Fraud *USPTO 16/426826*, 2019 **K. Gupta**, V. Jain
- Systems and methods for Updating Fraud Detection Variable *USPTO 15/258880*, 2018 **K. Gupta**, V. Jain
- Systems and methods for customized real time data delivery *USPTO 14/961614*, 2015 S. Sanyal, S. Purkayastha, T. Choudhuri, A. Choudhary, V. Grover, M. Naeem, P. Mehta, **K. Gupta**, A. Agarwal

VOLUNTEER INITIATIVES

- **Graduate Student Mentor:** [CVPR Academy](#) for first-time CVPR attendees 2022
- **Co-organizer:** [SIGGRAPH RCDC](#) mentorship program for Graphics graduate school applicants 2021
- **Instructor:** [AI4ALL](#) summer program for high school students 2020
- **Reviewer:** Computer Graphics - SIGGRAPH 2022, SIGGRAPH Asia 2023. Computer Vision - ECCV 2022. CVPR 2023, 2022*, 2021. ICCV 2021. Machine Learning - NeurIPS 2022, 2023. ICLR 2022. (* denotes Outstanding Reviewer Award)

MISCELLANEOUS

- Kulkarni Research Fellowship ([web](#)) 2020
- Dean's fellowship for outstanding academic achievement 2018-20
- **Coordinator:** [Robotics Club](#) IIT Delhi 2008-10
- Master's Research Scholarship by Ministry of Human Resources and Development, Govt. of India May 2011
- CBSE Merit Scholarship for All India Rank 38 (600,000 appeared) in AIEEE, now called JEE-Main 2007
- National top 1% (40,000 appeared) in Physics Olympiad and Chemistry Olympiad 2006
- National Talent Search Exam Scholarship by Govt. of India 2005