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PhD Student (Works on Robotics, Computer Vision, Deep Learning)

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Education

2018–Now **PhD**, Montreal Institute of Learning Algorithms (MILA) - University of Montreal, Canada, CGPA – **4.30/4.00**.

Computer Science

2015–2017 **MS by Research**, International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad, India, CGPA – 10.00/10.00.

Computer Science and Engineering

2011–2015 **M.Sc.** (Tech), Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani, India, CGPA – **6.71/10.00**. Information Systems (Bachelor's degree)

Areas of Interest

Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Robot Perception.

Preprints

- 2018 CalibNet: Self-Supervised Extrinsic Calibration using 3D Spatial Transformer Networks, IROS (to appear), Ganesh lyer, Karnik Ram, J. Krishna Murthy, and K. Madhava Krishna.
- 2018 The Earth ain't Flat: Reconstrution of Vehicles on Steep and Bumpy Roads from a Monocular Camera, IROS (to appear), Junaid Ahmed Ansari, Sarthak Sharma, Anshuman Majumdar, J. Krishna Murthy, K. Madhava Krishna.

Publications

- 2018 **Geometric Consistency for Self-Supervised End-to-End Visual Odometry**, 1st International Workshop on Deep Learning for Visual SLAM (CVPR Workshop), Ganesh lyer*, **J. Krishna Murthy***, Gunshi Gupta, and Liam Paull.
- 2018 Constructing Category-Specific Models for Monocular Object-SLAM, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Parv Parkhiya, Rishabh Khawad, J. Krishna Murthy, Brojeshwar Bhowmick, K. Madhava Krishna.
- 2018 Geometry and Object Shape Costs for Accurate Multi-Object Tracking in Road Scenes, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Sarthak Sharma, Junaid Ahmed Ansari, J. Krishna Murthy, K. Madhava Krishna.
- 2017 Shape Priors for Real-Time Monocular Object Localization in Dynamic Environments, *IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, J. Krishna Murthy, Sarthak Sharma, and K. Madhava Krishna.
- 2017 Reconstructing Vehicles from a Single Image: Shape Priors for Road Scene Understanding, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), J. Krishna Murthy, G.V. Sai Krishna, Falak Chhaya, K. Madhava Krishna.
- 2016 FAST: Synchronous Frontier Allocation for Scalable Online Multi-Robot Terrain Coverage, Journal of Intelligent & Robotic Systems (JIRS), Avinash Gautam, Bhargav Jha, Gourav Kumar, J. Krishna Murthy, S.P. Arjun Ram, and Sudeept Mohan.
- 2015 Cluster, Allocate, Cover: An Efficient Approach to Multi-Robot Coverage, IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics (SMC), Avinash Gautam, J. Krishna Murthy, Gourav Kumar, S.P. Arjun Ram, Bhargav Jha, and Sudeept Mohan.
- 2015 Maxxyt: An Autonomous Wearable Device for Real-Time Tracking of a Wide Range of Exercises, IEEE Conference on Modeling and Simulation (UKSIM), Danish Pruthi, Ayush Jain, Krishna Murthy J., Ruppesh Nalwaya, and Puneet Teja.

Theoretical Principles of Deep Learning, Learning Representations, Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Mobile Robotics, Multi-Agent Systems, Optimization Methods.

Graduate Projects

Deep learning for Visual Odometry, Multi-Robot Pose-graph SLAM, Visual-Inertial Odometry, Multi-Object Tracking, Non-Rigid Structure from Motion.

Experience

- 2018–Now **Grad Student**, *Montreal Institute of Learning Algorithms (MILA)*, *Montreal, QC, Canada*, Working on lifelong, self-supervised learning for Visual SLAM.
- 2015–2017 **Research Assistant**, *Robotics Research Center, IIIT Hyderabad*, Worked on shape priors for monocular object localization in dynamic road scenes..
 - 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, Mobile Robotics course, Monsoon Semester 2016-2017.
- 2014–2015 **Research Assistant**, *INSPIRE Lab*, *BITS Pilani*, Developed coordination algorithms for indoor area coverage using multiple mobile robots.
- 2014–2015 **Remote Intern**, *Gymneus Inc, Austria*, Developed tracking algorithms that use IMU data to monitor a wide range of strength-training exercises..
 - 2014 **Summer Intern**, *Project e-Attend*, Implemented and deployed a face-recognition based attendance system across 3 campus of BITS Pilani..
- 2012–2013 **Captain**, *Team Robocon*, *BITS Pilani*, Captained the university team for ABU-Robocon, an Asia-Pacific level robotics competition..

Selected Awards and Nominations

- 2018 **ICRA PhD Forum**, Selected to present my work at the PhD Forum, ICRA 2018, right in the first semester of my PhD. Received generous travel support..
- 2018 **DIRO Excellence Award**, Received an award of excellence from DIRO, L'Universite de Montreal for academic and research excellence.
- 2017-2018 **Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Finalist**, A spin-off of my work on Shape Priors for Road-Scene Understanding has been shortlisted as a finalist for the Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship (QINF), India...
 - 2014 **L K Maheshwari Grant**, Awarded a seed grant for a proposal involving cooperative navigation of a heterogeneous swarm of aerial and ground robots.
- 2012-2015 **Hackatronics**, Won the annual electronics hack contest for three years in a row. Conducted anually at BITS Pilani, Rajasthan India.