# Mustafa Chasmai

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Education

Ph.D. in Computer Science

**University of Massachusetts, Amherst** 

Supervised by Prof. Subhransu Maji | Expected Graduation May 2027

2023 - current

Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech)

**Indian Institute of Technology Delhi** 

Computer Science and Engineering, Major GPA: 9.35

2019 - 2023

## **Publications**

## Audio Geolocation: An Investigation with Natural Sounds

**CVPR '25** 

Mustafa Chasmai, Wuao Liu, Subhransu Maji, Grant Van Horn

under review

- First work geolocating audio at the global scale. Unlike images, geographic signals ambiguous in audio.
- Show the potential of species sounds as geolocation signals with strong oracles and proof of concepts.
- Multimodal (audio, image, text) geolocation with cross-modal contrast. Debunk movie fake sounds.

#### The iNaturalist Sounds Dataset

NeurIPS '24

Mustafa Chasmai, Alexander Shepard, Subhransu Maji, Grant Van Horn

[paper]

- New dataset for acoustic recognition of  $\sim$ 5000 challenging (even for experts) fine-grained species.
- Benchmark popular models, demonstrating benefits of geographic priors and visual cues for species.
- Demonstrate utility as pretraining data for a variety of downstream bioacousting monitoring tasks.

Robust Prototypical Few-Shot Segmentation with Regularized Neural-ODEs MICCAI '22, TMI '23 Prashant Pandey\*, Mustafa Chasmai\*, Tanuj Sur, Brejesh Lall [paper], [paper]

From Forks to Forceps: A New Framework for Segmentation of Surgical Instruments WACV '23 Britty Baby, Daksh Thapar, Mustafa Chasmai, Tamajit Banerjee, Subhashis Banerjee, Chetan Arora [paper]

A View Independent Classification Framework for Yoga Postures

**SNCS '22** 

Mustafa Chasmai, Nirjhar Das, Aman Bhardwaj, Rahul Garg

[paper]

## Internships .

### **Long Form Video Question Answering**

Dolby, San Francisco

Multimodal AI | Large Vision Language Models | Video Understanding

May - Aug 2024

- Factored approach of first retrieving relevant moments in long video and then answering questions.
- Benchmarked approach with 4 large VLMs (proprietary and open) on 4 long form video QA datasets.

#### **Explainable AI (XAI) API Development**

Sony Group Corporation, Japan

Deep Learning Research Intern | Responsible AI | Attention Mechanisms

May - July 2022

- Developed reusable and modular APIs for 3 XAI methods with rigorous tests and integration in nnabla.
- Implemented SOTA models of DenseNet, ResNext with attention branch on NNC, Sony's GUI for DNNs.

## **Unsupervised Domain Adaptation for Action Recognition**

**University of Sheffield, UK** 

Prof. Haiping Lu, CS Sheffield | Transfer Learning | Adversarial Training

May - Aug 2021 Flytbase, Pune

**Warehouse Box Detection and Counting with Autonomous Drones** 

Al and Robotics Intern | Computer Vision | Object Detection | Segmentation

Apr 2020 - July 2020

# **Key Course Projects**

- Robot Localization | Prof. Rohan Paul | Kalman Filter | HMM | State Estimation | Data Association |
- Person Re-Identification | Prof. Chetan Arora | Metric Learning | Triplet Loss | Self-Ensembling |
- Noisy Caption Reader | Prof. Parag Singla | Encoder-Decoder | LSTM | Residual Network | Res-50 |
- Multi-Player Game and Simulation | Prof. Rijurekha Sen | SDL | Constrained Travelling Salesman |

### Miscellaneous

- Technical Skills | Python, C++ | Pytorch, Huggingface, Sklearn, Gradio | Google Colab, slurm, LLM API|
- Fellowships & Awards | IITD Top 7% (3 sems) | OCSC camp for IPhO | KVPY | INSPIRE | AIR 91 JEE'19 |
- Extra Curricular | Student Mentor | Al-ML club | Photography | Physics & Astro | Rubik Cube (20×20) |