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## EDUCATION

**University of California San Diego | GPA: 3.95/4**

La Jolla, CA

Master of Science in Computer Science (with Thesis)

Sept 2022 – June 2024

- Courses: Deep Generative Models, Advanced Computer Vision, Recommender Systems & Web Mining

**Indian Institute of Technology Bombay | GPA: 9.33/10**

Mumbai, India

Bachelor of Technology with Honors, Major: Computer Science and Engineering

Jul 2018 – May 2022

- Activities: Teaching Assistant (Computer Vision: Theory and Lab, Digital Image Processing), CSEA General Secretary
- Courses: Medical Vision, Computer Vision, Reinforcement Learning, Image Processing, Fairness in ML, AI, ML with Graphs

## EXPERIENCE

**University of California San Diego | Graduate Student Researcher**

October 22 - Ongoing

- Achieved a 200+ FPS for Cine MRI reconstruction from severely undersampled Fourier data using an LSTM pipeline.
- Enhance the reconstruction using the periodicity of Cine MRI and deploy the architecture in an MRI Scanner for real-time testing

**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign | Research Intern**

July 20 – April 21

- Improved FC layer explainability by using Gaussian clustering on convolutional outputs without sacrificing accuracy
- Developed a novel classification algorithm based on shifting and shrinking class clusters as trainable parameters in the conv-space

**University of New South Wales, Canberra | Research Intern**

April 20 – July 20

- Predicting the 3D registration parameters for synthetically generated femur images using a ResNet in a Siamese network
- Performed soft tissue removal on clinical knee CT scan images with the help of a half dark channel filter algorithm

## Papers

**Temporally-Aware Neural Networks For Cine MRI Reconstruction From Severely Undersampled Data**

ISMRM 2024 (under review): [Mahajan](#), Rodriguez-Soto, Chung, et al. (5 others)

**Real-time automated assessment of image quality during MRI scanning for optimal image reconstruction**

ISMRM 2024 (under review): Buckup, [Mahajan](#), Rodriguez-Soto, Contijoch

**Closed-loop CMR acquisition improves 3D k-space acquisition and image quality during cardio-respiratory navigation**

ISMRM 2024 (under review): Rodriguez-Soto, [Mahajan](#), Schuchardt, et al. (3 others)

## KEY TECHNICAL PROJECTS

**DreamBooth-Fusion For Personalised Text To 3D**

Spring 2023

- Rendered a NERF-based 3D model of a personalised image in a text-controlled context generated using a stable diffusion network

**FFT Based Video Frame Interpolation**

Fall 2022

- Employed an encoder-decoder convGRU sequence for VFI and integrated a Fourier domain loss to improve edge preservation

**RNNs for Artefact Removal in 3D MRI scans**

Spring 2022

- Introduced motion artifacts to 3D MRI scans through k-space data distortion and successfully mitigated them using convLSTMs

**Deep Retinex Decomposition for Low-Light Enhancement**

Fall 2021

- Performed low light enhancement by using CNNs to enhance the reflectance and illumination components of images individually

**Conditional Diabetic Retinopathy Image Synthesis**

Spring 2021

- Engineered a two-stage Pix2Pix pipeline for vessel segmentation and grade-conditioned retinopathy synthesis

**Location Controlled Brain Tumour Image Synthesis**

Spring 2021

- Generated a location-controlled brain tumour dataset using in-painting and trained a controllable GAN for image synthesis

**Face Ageing using GANs**

Spring 2020

- Implemented two-way facial age transformation using a conditional GAN, trained with an AlexNet-based age classifier

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages**

(*Fluent*) Python, Git, Matlab, (*Familiar*) C++, SQL, Bash, Java, C, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, Make

**Libraries**

PyTorch, OpenCV, scikit-learn, Scipy, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Keras, TensorFlow