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Research Interests: Deep Learning for Scene and Object Understanding

### EDUCATION

**Indian Institute of Science** Masters in Signal Processing; CGPA: 5.8/8.0 Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering

2010 - 2012 Mysore, India 2005 - 2009

Bangalore, India

## SKILLS SUMMARY

• Languages: Python, C, C++, Matlab

• Deep Learning Frameworks: Caffe, MXNet, PyTorch, TensorFlow

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communication

• Tools: Vim, Git, Tmux, Microsoft Visual Studio, QT, Eclipse, Android JNI/NDK

### Experience

BYJU'S Bangalore, India Software Engineer September 2019 - Present

- o Page Number Tab detection in magic worksheets app:
  - Designed 4-layer convolutional network for keypoint based page number tab detection
  - Precision: 99.57% Recall: 99.13% on 464 test worksheets
  - Peformance: Android Lenovo X304L 45ms, Android Lenovo X605LC 25ms
  - Improvement of 12.5% in worksheet page number detection and 16-25% in timing compared to previous methods.
  - Languages & Tools used Python, PyTorch, Visdom, libNN (C++)
- o Page Boundary estimation in magic worksheets app:
  - Formulated page boundary estimation as 4-corner detection and association of corners using Part Affinity Field maps to form the boundary
  - Trained MobileNet based network with Precision: 100% Recall: 94% on 498 test worksheets
  - Languages & Tools used Python, PyTorch, Visdom

#### Whodat<sup>TM</sup> (acquired by BYJU'S)

Bangalore, India

Deep Learning Research Engineer

April 2017 - August 2019

- Face Recognition for KYC automation: Deep learning based system to verify the user's face in the selfie with the face in the KYC document and also to identify duplicates (if any) in the database to detect fraud
  - Finetuned ResNet based single & sibling network with weight sharing. Both using additive angular marginal inter loss combined with intra-marginal loss
  - Implementation of other loss functions Fixed & Dynamic AdaCos, Dynamic Weight Imprinting (DWI)
  - Achieved: TAR 94.84% @ FAR 1e-5, TAR 90.69% @ FAR 1e-6 with 4-fold cross validation
  - Languages & Tools used Python, MXNet, Tensorboard, Visdom
- o Egocentric Camera Height Estimation for Indoors: Deep learning based system trained on the synthetic dataset to estimate a height at which the camera is held to calculate the real-world scale
  - Languages & Tools used Python, Caffe, Visdom
- o Ground/Wall plane and centroid estimation: Deep learning based monocular depth, normal and segmentation to estimate the planes, their orientation and the centroid for placing the virtual objects in the real-world scenes
  - Theano to TensorFlow code conversion to achieve speed for both training and inference
  - Flask app to integrate with SLAM and also multiprocessing queuing system to handle multiple models
  - Languages & Tools used Python, Caffe, TensorFlow, Theano, Flask

## Samsung R&D Institute

Technical Lead

Bangalore, India July 2012 - March 2017

- Deep Convolutional Network for Food Recognition:
  - Squeezenet model (accuracy=69%) ported on to mobile. ResNet, Inception models for better accuracy
  - Data collection, labelling and models to support Indian Food Categories
  - Languages & Tools used Python, Caffe, TensorFlow
- Fully Convolutional Network for Segmentation of Sky and Non-sky regions:
  - Fully convolutional VGG-16 model using SIFT flow dataset
  - Sky segmentation map used as prior for horizon detection in an image

- Languages & Tools used Python, Caffe
- o Detection of Duplicate images in Gallery: Nearest Neighbor Image Retrieval using GIST descriptor (Code)
  - Languages & Tools used C++, OpenCV, Matlab
- o One Touch Auto Image Enhancement (Commercialized in flagships after Galaxy S6):
  - Algorithm for detection of low-light/backlight, poorly lit face images
  - Architecture design of auto image enhancement engine
  - Languages & Tools used C, Matlab
- o Photo Editor/Best Photo (Commercialized in all android Phones):
  - Red eye correction, Blur Detection and Ranking Algorithm
  - Bilinear resizer module for less memory architecture in Photo Editor
  - Languages & Tools used C, C++, Matlab
- Touch Focus (Commercialized in flagships after Galaxy S5): Complete JNI framework design & development for communicating between application and engine

### Personal Projects

- GOTURN single object tracking (Code): Python + Caffe based implementation to facilitate easy training and experimentation
- Combining Sketch and Tone for Pencil Drawing Production (Code): Color pencil sketch effect for images which mimicks human style of pencil drawing. Languages & Tools used C++, OpenCV, QT
- Pedestrain detection using Histogram of Oriented Gradients (Code): SVM model to detect pedestrains in the image. Languages & Tools used C++, Python, OpenCV
- Image Processing Toolbox (App): QT based GUI application to test basic blur and edge detection algorithms. Languages & Tools used C++, QT, OpenCV

### Honors and Awards

- Awarded Employee of the month Jan 2016
- Awarded Galaxy S5 for the effort in success of Touch Focus USP

# REFERENCES

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