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## 🎓 EDUCATION

### Bachelor of Technology in Electronics & Computer Engineering

Amrita School of Engineering

2020 – 2024

## 🧠 SKILLS

- Deep Learning
- Machine Learning
- PyTorch
- TensorFlow
- Python
- Pandas
- Numpy
- Jupyter
- Git
- Web Development
- ReactJS
- Django

## 👛 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### FoxTradingSolutions

Internship program in Machine Learning

01/2021 – 03/2021

- Trained models to fit datasets with the highest accuracy possible
- Solved some case studies on machine learning problems

### Traboda

Web Developer

03/2021 – 07/2021

- Added features and solved issues in both backend and frontend to simplify UI and UX
- Used CSS, ReactJS and Django

### Red Hen Lab

Open Source project Contributor

06/2023 – present

- Creating a multimodal Deep Learning Pipeline for generating captions that explain the meanings of speech gestures in Christian Art Images
- Applied Style transfer using AdaIn to generate data similar to art images for fine-tuning the YOLO V8 pose detection model
- Used a pre-trained pose detection transformer from a research paper that specifically trained it on art images
- Created and annotated over 2000 images for training the palm gesture detection model using YOLO
- Created another dataset of 1000 images for classifying and detecting the person in the images and further improving the caption generated by the pipeline.
- Trained YOLO V8 classification and object detection models on these datasets, and created a pipeline combining them to provide the final output.
- Currently working on applying RAG (Retrieval-Augmented Generation) to explain meaning and symbolism of the gestures used in the image.

## 🧩 RESEARCH WORK

### Methods for Bias Mitigation for computer vision models:

- Conducted Research under Dr. Geetha M, Vice Chairperson , School of Computing, Amritapuri | Assistant Professor (Sl. Gd.) , School of Computing, Amritapuri
- Paper accepted in 7th International Conference on Electronics, Material Engineering and Nano-Technology

## PROJECTS

### **YOLO V8 - CAM**


The first package for applying EigenCAM on the newly released YOLO V8 model.

- Can be used on YOLO V8 classification and object detection models.
- It generates the heatmap to help visualise which region of the image, the model is focusing on

### **Fine-tuning neural network from scratch using LoRA**

- Trained a linear network on the MNIST dataset and then fine-tuned it using LoRA from scratch
- Implemented the concept of Low Rank Adaptation to understand it better.
- Achieved an increased accuracy for the specific digit the LoRA was trained on, with the ability to
- control the extent of its effects on the model's complete output using PyTorch from scratch.

### **German To English Translator**

- Implemented and Trained a transformer model from scratch to perform English to Italian translation using the Opus\_books dataset for training
- Made this to understand more about the transformer model. My blog about it can be found at <https://medium.com/@rigvedrs/a-basic-idea-of-transformers-758fobfd43c6> 
- Used bleu score as a metric for evaluation

### **FaceRec**

Custom face recognition app trained using Siamese Neural Network

- Trained locally using custom face dataset for positives and LFW dataset for negatives
- App made using Kivy for User Interface

### **NFS - Neural Net from Scratch**

- Neural Network Created from Scratch
- Using only Python and Numpy

### **Enhancing Pneumonia Detection Accuracy through ResNet-Based Deep Learning Models and Ensemble Techniques: A Study Using Chest X-Ray Images**

- Conducted research under Ms. Remya, Vice Chairperson, Electronics and Communication Engineering, School of Engineering, Amritapuri | Asst. Professor, Electronics and Communication Engineering, School of Engineering, Amritapuri
- Paper accepted in 8th International Conference on Smart Trends for Computing and Communications

### **Methods for Underwater Image Enhancement**

- Conducting research under Dr. Akshara P. Byju, Assistant Professor, School of Computing, Amritapuri
- Developing method for enhancing underwater image quality using deep learning algorithms

## COURSES

### **Neural Networks and Deep Learning**

an online non-credit course authorized by DeepLearning.AI and offered through Coursera

### **Structuring Machine Learning Projects**

an online non-credit course authorized by DeepLearning.AI and offered through Coursera

### **Improving Deep Neural Networks: Hyperparameter Tuning, Regularization and Optimization**

an online non-credit course authorized by DeepLearning.AI and offered through Coursera

### **Introduction to Deep Learning Using PyTorch**

Udacity

### **CS50's Introduction to Artificial Intelligence with Python**

Offered by EdX

### **HarvardX PH125.8x Data Science: Machine Learning**

Offered on EdX

### **IBM Deep Learning with Python and PyTorch**

Offered on EdX