# Sachin Chhabra

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### Education

Arizona State University May 2024

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Tempe, AZ Major: Computer Science GPA: 4.0/4.0

Arizona State University

Degree: Master of Science (M.Sc.) Tempe, AZ Major: Computer Science GPA: 3.9/4.0

May 2019

VIT University Aug 2013

Degree: Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech) Vellore, India

Major: Computer Science

### **Publications**

- Chhabra, S., Hemanth Venkateswara, and Baoxin Li. PatchRot: Self-Supervised Training of Vision Transformers by Rotation Prediction. British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2024 [9]
- Chhabra, S., Hemanth Venkateswara, Baoxin Li. Label Smoothing++: Enhanced Label Regularization for Training Neural Networks. British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2024.
- Chhabra, S., Yaoxin Zhuo, Riti Paul, Javad Sohankar, Ji Luo, Shan Li, Wendy Lee, Yi Su, Teresa Wu, Baoxin Li. Translation of Partially Paired Images with Generative Adversarial Networks IEEE-EMBS International Conference on Biomedical and Health Informatics (BHI), 2024.
- Chhabra, S., Hemanth Venkateswara, Baoxin Li. Generative Alignment of Posterior Probabilities for Source-free Domain Adaptation Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision  $(WACV), 2023. \ [ \textcircled{\bullet} \ ]$
- Chhabra, S., Hemanth Venkateswara, Baoxin Li. Patch Swap: A Regularization Technique for Vision Transformers. British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2022. [ [ ]
- JE Caviedes, BK Patel, R Gutzwiller, B Li, R Bhat, Chhabra, S.. A Cognitive Perspective on Subjective and Objective Diagnostic Image Quality Models International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2022.
- Chhabra, S., Prabal Bijov Dutta, Hemanth Venkateswara, Baoxin Li. Glocal Alignment for Unsupervised Domain Adaptation. ACM Multimedia Workshop on Multimedia Understanding with Less Labeling (MULL), 2021. [A]
- Chhabra, S., Prabal Bijoy Dutta, Hemanth Venkateswara, Baoxin Li. Iterative Image Translation for Unsupervised Domain Adaptation. ACM Multimedia Workshop on Multimedia Understanding with Less Labeling (MULL), 2021.
- Chhabra, S., Prasanth Sai Gouripeddi, Hemanth Venkateswara, Baoxin Li. LLS: Regulating Neural Network Training via Learnable Label Smoothing Under review at International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2025.
- Chhabra, S.. Making the Best of What We Have: Novel Strategies for Training Neural Networks under Restricted Labeling Information Ph.D. Thesis, 2024.

# **Ongoing Work**

- Diffused-based conditional medical image translation.
- Building a new dataset for domain adaptation problem.
- Finetuning LLM for specialized use cases.

### Professional Services

- Regularly reviewed research papers for CVPR, ICLR, NeurIPS, ICCV, ECCV, ICML, BMVC, WACV, ACM TIST, and Pattern Recognition.
- Outstanding Reviewer for BMVC 2024.

### Teaching Experience

- Taught several lectures on Introduction to Machine Learning and Deep Learning for CEE 598/494 (Graduate and Undergraduate level).
- Guest Lecture on Generative Adversarial Networks (GAN) for CEE 598/494.
- Teaching assistant experience for Intro to Deep Learning in Computer Vision (CSE 591), "Foundations of Machine Learning" (CSE475), Introduction to Machine Learning and Deep Learning (CEE 598/494), Object-Oriented Programming and Data Structures (CSE 205).

# **Industry Experience**

Wayfair July 2024 — Present

Machine Learning Scientist

Boston, MA

- Applying machine/deep learning techniques for data analysis and sales forecasting.
- Building multi-task neural networks for various types of inputs.
- Tech Stack: PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Python, SQL, GCP.

Wayfair
Machine Learning Scientist Intern

June 2023 — Aug 2023 *Boston*, MA

- Automated product color extraction from images using object detection and segmentation based on input query text.
- Created a pipeline with state-of-the-art models: Segment-Anything-Model(SAM), GroundingDINO and modified them to adapt for our use case.
- Tech Stack: PyTorch, Huggingface, Scikit-learn.

Wayfair
Machine Learning Scientist Intern

May 2022 — Aug 2022

Boston, MA

- Designed and implemented a Graph Neural Network (GNN) framework to build an item-to-item-based recommendation system.
- Developed novel loss functions to optimize the training of GNNs.
- Tech Stack: PyTorch, Deep Graph Library(DGL), Scikit-learn, Python, SQL, GCP.

#### **Systems Imagination**

May 2020 — Aug 2020

Machine Learning Research Intern

Tempe, Arizona (Remote)

- Developed a hybrid neural network framework that processes time series and tabular data to predict COVID-19 case counts and risk for the US counties.
- Tech Stack: PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Python.

Dec 2013 — Jun 2017

Senior Software Engineer

Bangalore, India

• Worked on migration scripts, stored procedures for databases, and wrote SQL queries for ETL transformation logic.

• Tech Stack: SQL.

### **Projects**

### Large Language Model (LLM) from Scratch in PyTorch



• Developed GPT3 and LLaMA-2 based Large Language Models (LLM) from scratch in PyTorch with functionalities like Byte-Pair Tokenizer, Rotational Positional Embedding (RoPe), SwishGLU, RMSNorm, and Mixture of Experts (MOE).

# Vision Transformer from Scratch in PyTorch | [100+ ★]



• Built Vision Transformer (ViT) from scratch in PyTorch, including operations like self-attention.

### Various Generative Adversarial Networks (GAN)



• Implemented Vanilla-GAN, Deep Convolution GAN (DCGAN), Least Squared GAN (LSGAN), Conditional GAN (cGAN), CycleGAN, Wasserstein GAN (WGAN), Improved Wasserstein GAN (WGAN-GP), and StarGAN for generating/translating images.

### Facial Expression Recognition - Master Thesis

Apr 2019

- Built a hybrid convolutional neural network (CNN) by fusing features from multiple domains to achieve better classification.
- Created a real-time system that detects a face and classifies it into one of the expressions using the trained model.

### Duplicate Photos and Video finder



- Developed a Python program to solve my problem of getting duplicate photos from multiple shared sources.
- Program identifies and deletes duplicate images and videos within a folder and its subdirectories with high speed and accuracy.

### **Technical Skills**

Skills Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Data Science, Google Cloud

Services (GCP)

Languages Python, SQL, Java

ML Packages PyTorch, OpenCV, Scikit-learn, NumPy, MATLAB, Keras, TensorFlow

**Deep Learning** Transfer Learning, Generative Adversarial Network (GAN), Transformers, Graph

Neural Network (GNN)