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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology

Aug 2022 - Dec 2024 (expected)

Master of Science in Computer Science, Specialization: Machine Learning

CGPA: 4.0/4.0

Publications: CoRL [1], ICASSPW [2], ICML (Under Review) [3], ECCV (Under Review) [4]

Delhi Technological University

Aug 2016 - May 2020

CGPA: 8.62/10.0

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Engineering
Publications: AAAI 2020 [5], ECIR 2020 [6], ECAI 2020 [7], IEEE CDS [8], IEEE BigMM [9]

Work Experience

Sony R&D Labs

Zurich, Switzerland

Sep 2023 - Apr 2024

Computer Vision Research Intern

Mentor: Valentina Cavinato

Project: Ball tracking and spin estimation using Event-based Vision Sensors (EVS)

- * Developed a module to perform motion compensation for the relative motion between the ball and sensor.
- * Developed modules to automatically optimize EVS simulator parameters to reduce the sim2real domain shift.

Amazon Science Seattle

Washington, USA

Applied Scientist Intern

May 2023 - Aug 2023

Mentor: Dr. Tarang Chugh

Project: Product ranking system for newly onboarded products on Amazon.com

- * Worked on a product ranking module to determine the sales potential of newly onboarded products on Amazon.com.
- * Developed modules that analyzed product attributes, and virality to predict expected sales potential of products.

Microsoft Research Lab India

Bangalore, India May 2022 - Aug 2022

Research Intern

Mentor: Dr. Venkat Padmanabhan

Project: Enabling Unstructured Conversations in the Hybrid Workspaces. Published at UbiComp 2023 (IMWUT) [10]

- * Worked on the directional audio module of the system to improve accessibility for people with visual impairment.
- * Refactored and optimized the frontend and backend code and redesigned the server architecture.

University of Texas, Dallas

Virtual

Research Intern

Mar 2022 - July 2022

Advisor: Dr. Rishabh Iyer

Project: Unknown class data discovery using Active Learning. Paper published at Real ML workshop at ICML 2022 [11]

- $* \ {\it The project aims at handling data imbalance where the rare instances are completely absent from the training data,}\\$
- * Used a Submodular Information (SMI)-based Active Learning Approach for unknown class data discovery.

University of Pennsylvania

Virtual

Research Intern

July 2021 - Dec 2021

Advisor: Dr. Robert Faryabi

Project: Cancer-causing gene detection in fluorescence in-situ hybridization (FISH) images using FRCNN.

- * Implemented a UNet-based approach to segment chromosomes in the nuclei of each cell.
- * Finetuned an FRCNN model to detect cancer-causing gene sequences in stained DNA sequences (chromosomes).

CodeNation Innovation Labs

Bangalore, India Aug 2020 - Apr 2022

Software Development Engineer

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Project: Cab ride-sharing application for iOS and Android (iOS App, Android App)

- * Worked on the dynamic pricing model based on the local supply and demand of cabs near the user.
- \ast Developed and deployed Android and iOS applications to facilitate ride-sharing in real-time.

Research Intern

IBM Research Lab

Delhi, India June 2020 - Aug 2020

Project: Real-time explicit content detection in videos. (Project Report)

- * Developed a multi-modal system for storyline-preserving explicit content detection in OTT content.
 - * Developed a Javascript-based Chrome extension to facilitate the isolation of explicit content in real-time.

IIIT Delhi

Research Intern

Mentor: Dr. Sameep Mehta 🔀

Delhi, India

Aug 2019 - May 2020

Advisor: Dr. Rajiv Ratn Shah 🔀

Projects:

- * Hate speech detection in code-mixed languages. Full paper published at AAAI 2020 [5].
 - Incorporated Graph Convolutional modeling for hate speech detecting in Hindi-English code mixed tweets.
- * Suicidal Ideation Detection on Twitter. Short paper published at ECIR 2020 [6].
 - Incorporated historical user profiling and graph convolutional modeling for suicidal intent detection.

SELECTED PROJECTS

AI Through Symbiosis (Published at ICASSPW 2023 [2])

Advisor: Dr. Thad Starner ✓ (Georgia Institute of Technology)

- The project aims to use a Heads-Up display to optimize the picking process in an assembly line.
- Developed generalized algorithms for hand detection and object detection in egocentric videos.

Imitation Learning from Suboptimal Demonstrations. (Published at CORL 2023 [1])

Advisor: Dr. Danfei Xu 🗹 (Georgia Institute of Technology)

- The project aims at estimating the quality of demonstrations by using an Inverse Reinforcement Learning model.
- Using the estimated quality to boost the performance of imitation learning algorithms like Behavioral Cloning.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Graduate Student Scholarship, Georgia Institute of Technology	2023,2024
Research Excellence Award, Delhi Technological University	2020
Student Research Travel Grant, Microsoft Research India	2020
Student Scholarship, AAAI	2020

Coursework

Master Of Science: Machine Learning, Vision Language Models, Deep Learning for Robotics, Game AI, Natural Language Processing, Online Communities

Bachelor of Technology: Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Natural Language Processing, Big Data Analytics, Operating Systems, Database Management Systems, Compiler Design, Computer Networks, Software Engineering

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Working Knowledge Bash, C/C++, Python, MATLAB, OpenCV

Software & Tools GNU/Linux, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, LaTeX, Excel

Deep Learning Frameworks PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Caffe

Past Experience Java, Kotlin, OpenGL, WebGL, Swift, Web2py, Android-SDK

Publications

- [1] S. Kuhar, S. Cheng, S. Chopra, M. Bronars, and D. Xu, "Learning to discern: Imitating heterogeneous human demonstrations with preference and representation learning," in *Proceedings of The 7th Conference on Robot Learning*, ser. Proceedings of Machine Learning Research, 2023. (Paper)
- [2] Z. M. Chng, C. Tang, D. Krishnaswamy, H. Yang, S. Chopra, J. Womack, and T. Starner, "Symbiotic artificial intelligence: Order picking and ambient sensing," in 2023 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing Workshops (ICASSPW), 2023. (Paper)
- [3] S. Chopra, S. Kothawade, H. Aynaou, and A. Chadha, "Source-free domain adaptation with diffusion-guided source data generation," 2024. (Paper)
- [4] S. Lakhanpal, S. Chopra, V. Jain, A. Chadha, and M. Luo, "Refining text-to-image generation: Towards accurate training-free glyph-enhanced image generation," 2024. (Paper)
- [5] S. Chopra, R. Sawhney, P. Mathur, and R. Ratn Shah, "Hindi-english hate speech detection: Author profiling, debiasing, and practical perspectives," *Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 2020. (Paper)
- [6] P. Mathur, R. Sawhney, S. Chopra, M. Leekha, and R. Ratn Shah, "Utilizing temporal psycholinguistic cues for suicidal intent estimation," in *Advances in Information Retrieval: 42nd European Conference on IR Research*, *ECIR*. Springer International Publishing, 2020. (Paper)
- [7] G. Jain, S. Chopra, S. Chopra, and S. P. Anil, "Transsketchnet: Attention-based sketch recognition using transformers," in *Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence and Applications: European Conference on Artificial Intelligence, ECAI*, 2020. (Paper)
- [8] G. Jain, S. Chopra, S. Chopra, and A. S. Parihar, "Attention-net: An ensemble sketch recognition approach using vector images," *IEEE Transactions on Cognitive and Developmental Systems*, 2022. (Paper)
- [9] S. Singal, T. Goel, S. Chopra, and S. Dahiya, "Open domain suggestion mining leveraging fine-grained analysis (workshop paper)," in 2020 IEEE Sixth International Conference on Multimedia Big Data (BigMM), 2020. (Paper)
- [10] H. Vijay, S. Pushp, A. Mittal, P. Gupta, M. Gupta, S. Gambhira, S. Chopra, M. Baranwal, A. Arya, A. Manchepalli, and V. N. Padmanabhan, "Hyway: Enabling mingling in the hybrid world," *Proceedings of ACM Interact. Mob. Wearable Ubiquitous Technol.*, IMWUT, 2023. (Paper)
- [11] S. Kothawade, S. Chopra, S. Ghosh, and R. Iyer, "Active data discovery: Mining unknown data using submodular information measures," *RealML Workshop in the International Conference of Machine Learning, ICML*, 2022. (Paper)