

TARUN KALLURI

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- **Trustworthy GenAI:** Fairness, Explainability, Bias and Robustness in Generative AI and Foundational models.
- **Label Efficient Learning:** Domain Adaptation, Self/semi/weakly-supervised learning in Computer Vision.

EDUCATION

- **University of California San Diego (UCSD)** *Fall 2019 - Present*
PhD in Center for Visual Computing, CSE Department *CGPA: 3.8/4.0*
- **Indian Institute of Technology (I.I.T.) Guwahati** *May 2016*
Major in Electronics and Communication (ECE), with minor in CSE. *CGPA: 9.03/10.0*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **PhD Candidate**, UC San Diego, CA, USA *Present*
Mentors: Manmohan Chandraker
Research on unsupervised domain adaptation and fairness in ML with multiple **first-authored top-tier publications** in CVPR, ICCV, ECCV and WACV.
- **Google Research**, Mountain View, CA, USA *Summer Intern 2023*
Mentors: Jeremiah Liu, Sahil Singla
Research on generation and editing capabilities of **text-to-image models to improve cross-domain robustness**.
- **Facebook (Meta) AI Research**, Menlo Park, CA, USA *Summer Intern 2021*
Mentors: Du Tran, Lorenzo Torresani, Heng Wang
Open world instance segmentation by combining top-down and bottom-up supervision resulting in $\sim 5\%$ mAR improvement on unseen test classes.
- **Facebook (Meta) AI Research**, Menlo Park, CA, USA *Summer Intern 2020*
Mentors: Du Tran, Deepak Pathak
Developed **Fast and efficient video frame interpolation**, with state-of-the-art quality and $6\times$ improvements in inference speed. Resulting paper was **best paper finalist** at WACV 2023.
- **Applied Research Labs**, IIIT Hyderabad, India *Sep. 2017 - Aug. 2019*
Mentors: C.V. Jawahar
Semi-supervised learning for **semantic segmentation on Indian roads**. Devised a novel feature alignment module achieving SOTA result using as few as 50 labeled images from Indian roads.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS [GOOGLE SCHOLAR FOR FULL LIST]

- **Tell, Don't Show! Language Guidance Eases Transfer Across Domains in Images and Videos.** Tarun Kalluri, Bodhisattwa Majumder, Manmohan Chandraker. **Pre-print, 2024.**
- **GeoNet: Benchmarking Unsupervised Adaptation across Geographies.** Tarun Kalluri, Wangdong Xu, Manmohan Chandraker. **CVPR, 2023.**
- **Open-world Instance Segmentation: Top-down Learning with Bottom-up Supervision .** Tarun Kalluri, Weiyao Wang, Heng Wang, Manmohan Chandraker, Lorenzo Toresani, Du Tran. **arxiv, 2023.**
- **MemSAC: Memory Augmented Sample Consistency for Large-Scale Domain Adaptation.** Tarun Kalluri, Astuti Sharma, Manmohan Chandraker. **ECCV, 2022.**
- **FLAVR: Flow-Agnostic Video Representations for Fast Frame Interpolation.** Tarun Kalluri, Deepak Pathak, Manmohan Chandraker, Du Tran. **WACV, 2023. [Oral, Best Paper Finalist]**

- **Cluster-to-adapt: Few Shot Domain Adaptation for Semantic Segmentation across Disjoint Labels** , Tarun Kalluri, Manmohan Chandraker. **L3D-VIU Workshop, CVPR, 2022.**
- **Instance Level Affinity Based Transfer for Unsupervised Domain Adaptation** Astuti Sharma, Tarun Kalluri, Manmohan Chandraker. **CVPR, 2021.**
- **Universal Semi-supervised Semantic Segmentation.** Tarun Kalluri, Girish Varma, Manmohan Chandraker, Jawahar, C.V. **ICCV, 2019.**

SKILLS

- **Machine Learning:** PyTorch, JAX/FLAX, Scikit-Learn, Tensorflow.
- **Programming Language:** MATLAB, C++, Python, Verilog, VHDL, Java, HTML/CSS, SQL, Bash/Unix, Git.
- **Software Packages:** OpenCV, Jupyter, R, Pandas, Keras, Numpy, Matplotlib, Tableau.

LEADERSHIP AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

- **Main Organizer:** 1st *Workshop and Challenge on Robust Computer Vision Across Geographies* in ICCV 2023 with a participation of more than 50 teams for the challenge [\[Link\]](#).
- **Co-Organizer:** *Multiple Object Tracking and Segmentation in Complex Environments* workshop in ECCV 2022 with a participation of more than 100 teams for the challenge [\[Link\]](#).
- **Reviewer:** NeurIPS (2023,22,21), ICCV 2023, CVPR (2023,22), ICLR (2023,22), ECCV 2022, AAAI 2022, WACV 2022, TMLR, Pattern Recognition Journal. (**Best Reviewer Award at ICLR 2022 and NeurIPS 2022**).
- **Open Source:** 475+ stars on GitHub for open-source contribution with multiple widely adopted codebases and datasets [\[Link\]](#).

HONORS & AWARDS

- Selected as **Best Paper Finalist** at WACV 2023 for the work on FLAVR (Top 12 out of 641 papers, Top 2%). *2023*
- Selected as best reviewer for ICLR 2022, NeurIPS 2022. *2022*
- Recipient of IPE PhD fellowship (link) 2020-21 for research towards practical ethics in AI. *2021*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Oracle India Pvt. Ltd.**, Bengaluru, India *July. 2016 - Aug. 2017*
Role: Data Scientist - SaaS Provisioning
 Developed automation tools for diagnosis of large scale cloud instance provisioning, upgrade and patching.

MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Astuti Sharma (Current: Research Engineer, Google)
- Sreyas Ravichandran (Current: Masters, UC San Diego)
- Wangdong Xu (Current: Masters, UC San Diego)