# Chaitanya Devaguptapu

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#### **Education**

#### Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad

Aug 2019 - Present

Email: email@chaitanya.one

M. Tech in Computer Science

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Advisor: Vineeth N Balasubramanian

# Keshav Memorial Institute of Technology, Hyderabad

Aug 2014 - May 2018

B. Tech in Electronics and Communication

# Research Experience

# PAIR lab, University of Toronto

Jan 2021 - Present

Visiting Graduate Researcher

Advisor: Dr.Animesh Garg

Working on problems related to data-efficient transfer learning and fine-grained video

understanding

# Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Hyderabad

June 2018 - Present

Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Vineeth N Balasubramanian

Conducted Research on borrowing features from data rich domains to improve object detection in domains with less annotated data. Parallely, I worked on object detection detection in low resolution Thermal Images. The research was supported by DRDO, Government of India.

#### Research

- [1] Chaitanya Devaguptapu, Samarth Sinha, V. Balasubramanian, Animesh Garg, Adaptive Skip Connections for Data Efficient Transfer Learning (under review at AAAI-22)
- [2] Chaitanya Devaguptapu, Devansh Agarwal, Gaurav Mittal, Pulkit Gopalani, V. Balasubramanian; Balasubramanian, On Adversarial Robustness: A Neural Architecture Search Perspective, Workshop on Adversarial Robustness in the Real World, ICCV-21, also accepted at ICLR-21 workshops (as a Contributed Talk and Spotlight)
- [3] Akshay Chandra L\*, Sai Vikas Desai\*, Chaitanya Devaguptapu\*, V. Balasubramanian. "Is There a Good Initial Pool for Active Learning?", Preregistration Workshop at NeurIPS 2020 (PMLR Volume 148)
- [4] Chaitanya Devaguptapu, Ninad Akolekar, Manuj Sharma, V. Balasubramanian., A Methodology for Transfer of Knowledge from Data-Rich Domains for Thermal Image Processing, Indian Patent Application No. 202011032663 (filed in Aug 2020)
- [5] Chaitanya Devaguptapu, Ninad Akolekar, Manuj Sharma, V. Balasubramanian. "Borrow from Anywhere: Pseudo Multi-modal Object Detection in Thermal Imagery," Workshop on Perception Beyond the Visible Spectrum, CVPR 2019 (Spotlight)

# Industry/Other Experience

**Upgrad** Remote

Small Group Coach

Jun 2020 - Present

As a Small Group Coach, I hold a 1.5 hour session every 15 days to clear the doubts of students pursuing upGrad's PG Diploma in Machine Learning, Data Science

Udacity

Student Mentor

Jan 2017 - Dec 2020

I guide nanodegree students and review, debug, asses code files of projects submitted as a part of Deep Learning and AI Nanodegree's

SmatSocial Hyderabad, India

Machine Learning Intern

Dec 2016 - Feb 2017

Worked on building a system for automated emotion recognition from speech. The project was more applied in nature, we made use of several open-source NLP and Speech Processing libraries.

InfiBooks Hyderabad, India

Data Analyst Intern

Oct 2016 - Dec 2017

Built an end-to-end data cleaning pipeline; Analysed purchase patterns of users and suggested methods to increase the sales; Automated the process of data collection.

# **Industry relevant Projects**

• Object Detection in Low-Resolution Thermal Imagery - Enhanced the performance of object detection in thermal images by increasing the resolution of 160 x 120 images using super resolution and various deep learning based image interpolation techniques. This was a joint project with DRDO, Government of India

#### **Service and Achievements**

**Awards:** Shastri Research Student Fellowship - 2020 (one among the 8 students selected from India)

Sub-Reviewer: CVPR-2019, ECML-PKDD-2019, ICCV-2019, AAAI-2020, ICLR-2020,

BMVC-2020, NeurIPS-2020

Reviewer: MFI-2020

Started an ACM student chapter at IIT-Hyderabad with my peers; Serving as a Vice chair for this chapter (Oct 2020 - June 2021). Organised various research talks and events to promote student driven research culture at IIT-Hyderabad

Serving as a System-Admin for NVIDIA DGX system at IIT-Hyderabad

### Relevant Coursework, Certifications

IIT-H: CS5370 Deep Learning for Vision, CS6440 Special Topics in Machine Learning, CS5500 Reinforcement Learning

Online: Udacity Nanodegree's: Deep Learning (March, 2018); Machine Learning (August 2016); Coursera: Machine Learning Specialisation by University of Washington.