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EDUCATION

PhD student, with Prof. Christopher Pal MILA, UNIVERSITY OF MONTREAL, Canada

Fall 2018 - present

Dual Degree (B.Tech. (H) + M.Tech.) in Electrical Engineering 2009 - 2014 with Master's specialization in Instrumentation and Signal Processing

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (IIT), KHARAGPUR, India CGPA: 8.44 / 10

RESEARCH PAPERS

- [1] Vincent Michalski, <u>Vikram Voleti</u>, Samira E. Kahou, Anthony Oritz, Pascal Vincent, Chris Pal, Doina Precup, "Comparing Normalization in Conditional Computation Tasks" in *ICML 2019 Workshop* [pdf]
- [2] Abhishek Jha*, <u>Vikram Voleti</u>*, Vinay P. Namboodiri, C. V. Jawahar, "Cross-Language Speech Dependent Lip-Synchronization" in *ICASSP 2019* [pdf]
- [3] Abhishek Jha*, <u>Vikram Voleti</u>*, Vinay P. Namboodiri, C. V. Jawahar, "Lip-Synchronization for Dubbed Instructional Videos" in *CVPR Workshop*, 2018 (FIVER) [pdf, url]
- [4] <u>V. Voleti</u>, P. Mohan, S. Gupta, J. Iqbal, "Simple Real-Time Pattern Recognition for Industrial Automation," in *Proc. International Conference on Industrial Design Engineering*, 2017 [pdf]
- [5] S. Jonna, <u>V. S. Voleti</u>, R. R. Sahay, and M. S. Kankanhalli, "A Multimodal Approach for Image De-fencing and Depth Inpainting," in *ICAPR*, 2015, pp. 1—6 [pdf, IEEE]

CURRENT PROJECTS

- Large-scale video reconstruction and generation using latent dynamics
- Visual reasoning via language grounding: integrating question-answering into GANs
- Other projects: deep generative models for 3D, conditional image generation [1]

RESEARCH

Research Fellow — IIIT HYDERABAD, India

May 2017 - Aug 2018

Experience Prof. C. V. Jawahar, Centre for Visual Information Technology, IIIT-Hyderabad

- Full paper published at ICASSP 2019 [2], short paper published at CVPR Workshop 2018 [3]
- Built a visual speech recognizer (lipreader) to classify spoken words without audio
- Built an assessor for self-training on unlabelled data, zero-shot learning on out-of-vocabulary words
- Synthesis of video in other languages by generating lips from audio

OTHER EXPERIENCE Teaching Assistant — IVADO/MILA DEEP LEARNING SCHOOL, Montreal, Canada Sep 9-13, 2019

Teaching Assistant — University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada

• Fundamentals of Machine Learning (IFT 6390) — Ioannis Mitliagkas Sep 2019 - Dec 2019

Scientist in Residence — Nextal (startup accelerator), Montreal, Canada — April 2019 - Aug 2019

• Consultant for multiple startups on computer vision, deep learning and AI

Consultant, Computer Vision — Playment, Bengaluru, India

Jan 2018 - June 2018

• Worked on semantic segmentation models for autonomous driving

Mentor, Foundations of AI & ML — TALENTSPRINT, Hyderabad, India

Six months certificate program in collaboration with IIIT HYDERABAD, India

Jan 2018 - May 2018

• Designed and presented tutorials on machine learning, and mentored industry professionals

Work Experience Image Processing Engineer — GreyOrange Robotics, Gurgaon, India Feb 2016 - May 2017

- Developed computer vision module to perform video processing in real time for warehouse automation
- Responsible for development and testing of entire code, including video processing module, module for communication with camera drivers, other systems, and server
- Research paper [4] based on work is published by ACM at ICIDE 2017

Associate Engineer — AIRBUS GROUP INDIA, Bengaluru, India

July 2014 - Feb 2016

- Involved in development and integration of avionics systems for the long-range aircrafts family
- Simulated signal-level modifications to the Flight Warning Computer, adopting standard avionics coding guidelines (DO-178B)

Talks & Other Achievements

- May 2019 Talk: Tutorial on GANs at the AI for Social Good Summer Lab, Montreal
- January 2019 Code: Released code for Self-Attention GAN in PyTorch, converting from TensorFlow code released by Google Brain [GitHub]
- Oct 2018 Talk: "BigGAN Large Scale GAN Training for High Fidelity Natural Image Synthesis" [presentation] at Mila, University of Montreal, Canada
- Feb 2018 Talk: "Image de-fencing using RGB-D data" [presentation] at Max Planck Institute for Informatics, Saarbrücken, Germany
- Feb 2018 Talk: "Intuition behind LSTMs" [presentation] at IIIT Hyderabad, India
- Aug 2017 Talk: "Mathematics of back-propagation in multi-layer perceptrons" [link] at GreyOrange Robotics, India, and at IIIT-Hyderabad, India
- Attended summer schools on Computer Vision and Machine Learning at IIIT-Hyderabad in 2017
 - Stood 3rd in Computer Vision Summer School out of 120+ participants, rewarded full fee waiver
 - Stood 4th in Machine Learning Summer School out of 120+ participants, rewarded full fee waiver
- Won the SMS Classification challenge, participated in the Video Action Recognition challenge in the 2017 Hack2Innovate hackathon in Bangalore, India
- Qualified JEE 2009 by IIT at 99.7 percentile, with All India Rank of 1330 (out of 384,977)

THESIS PROJECTS

Masters thesis — "De-fencing of Images using RGB-D Data"

2013 - 2014

IIT Kharagpur, India — Prof. Rajiv Sahay, Department of Electrical Engineering

- Elimination of fence-like occlusions, and inpainting of images using RGB-D data
- Nominated for Best M.Tech. Project Award among three departments (Electrical, Electronics, CS)
- Research paper [5] based on work is published in the proceedings of ICAPR 2015
- Links GitHub repository containing thesis, presentation, code files, and results

Bachelors thesis — "Identification of Bilabial Lip Closures in Audio and Video" 2012 - 2013 IIT Kharagpur, India — Prof. Rajiv Sahay, Department of Electrical Engineering

- Measurement of synchronization between audio and video using bilabial cues in both modes
- Links GitHub repository containing thesis, presentation, code files, and results

Past Research Internships

"Implementation of Carry-Free Arithmetic Operations in FPGA"

Summer 2013

KU Leuven, Belgium — Prof. Ingrid Verbauwhede, Computer Security & Industrial Applications

- Designed arithmetic operations using Carry-Free Logic, simulated circuits in Xilinx
- Links GitHub repository containing report, presentation, and related files

"Fingertip Gesture Recognizer using HMMs"

Summer 2012

IIT Kharagpur, India — Prof. Aurobinda Routray, Department of Electrical Engineering

- Implemented Hidden Markov Models in MATLAB, used to recognize shapes drawn by fingertip
- Links GitHub repository containing report, presentation, code files, and results

"Measurement of Intra-die Power Variation in Sub-nm FPGA's"

Summer 2011

IMPERIAL COLLEGE, London, UK — Prof. Peter Cheung, Head, Electrical and Electronics Engineering

- Measured the relative power consumption among the LookUp Tables (LUTs) of an FPGA
- Links GitHub repository containing presentation, certificate, and recommendation letter

C, C++, CUDA, HTML/CSS, Javascript, Keras, MATLAB, OpenCV, Python, PyTorch, Shell, Tensorflow

SKILLS