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Research Interests: Computer Vision, Machine Learning and AI, Domain Adaptation, Multimodal Learning.

Education

- 2015–Present **Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering**, *Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India*, Specialized in Communication & Signal processing.
- 2012–2014 **Masters of Technology in Electrical Engineering**, *Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India*, Specialized in Communication & Signal processing.
- 2008–2012 **Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics & Tele Communication**, *SGSITS, Indore, MP*.

Patents

- 2015 **Vinod K Kurmi**, Garima Jain, KS Venkatesh, "A Human-Hand Detection System, Apparatus and a Method Thereof" India PO No.1678/DEL/2015.

Conference Publications

- 2018 Badri N. Patro, Sandeep K., **Vinod K. Kurmi**, Vinay P. Namboodiri, "Multimodal Differential Network for Visual Question Generation", *Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), Brussels, Belgium, 2018*.
- 2018 Badri N. Patro*, **Vinod K. Kurmi***, Sandeep Kumar*, Vinay P. Namboodiri, "Learning Semantic Sentence Embeddings using Pair-wise Discriminator", *Proceedings of 27th International Conference on Computational Linguistics (COLING 2018), Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA, 2018*.
* equal contributions
- 2015 **Vinod K Kurmi**, G. Jain, KS Venkatesh, "Robust Human Gesture Recognition form 3D" *WSCG 2015, 23rd International Conference in Central Europe on Computer Graphics, Visualization and Computer Vision(WSCG), Czech Republic, 2015*.

Under Review Papers

- 2019 Dropout Discriminator: A Sampling based Ensemble approach for Domain Adaptation
- 2019 Attending to Discriminative Certainty for Domain Adaptation
- 2019 Deep Bayesian Network for Visual Question Generation
- 2019 Informative Discriminator for Domain Adaptation

Work Experiences

- 2014 **Computer Vision Lab IIT Kanpur**, *Senior Student Research Associate*, Kanpur, India.
- Developed a middleware for human hand detection from the Kinect Depth sensor data.
 - It overcome the issues of Microsoft's SDK, which requires the full human pose to detect the hand position.

Teaching Experiences

- 2017 **Teaching Assistant**, *Signal Systems and Networks*, EE200, Winter, IIT Kanpur .
- 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, *Introduction to Electronics*, ESC201, Autumn, IIT Kanpur.
- 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, *Introduction to Electronics*, ESC201, Winter, IIT Kanpur.
- 2015 **Teaching Assistant**, *Computer Vision Lab*, Autumn, IIT Kanpur.
- 2015 **Teaching Assistant**, *Department Post-Graduation Committee*, Winter, IIT Kanpur.
- 2014 **Teaching Assistant**, *Department Post-Graduation Committee*, Winter, IIT Kanpur.
- 2013 **Teaching Assistant**, *Introduction to Electronics*, ESC201, Autumn, IIT Kanpur.
- 2012-13 **Teaching Assistant**, *Department Post-Graduation Committee*, IIT Kanpur.

PhD Research Work

- Title **Domain Adaptation and Multimodal Alignment.**
Supervisors -:Prof. Vinay P. Namboodiri(CSE) and Prof. K S Venkatesh(EE).
- Description **The Details of my work are as follows, .**
- Analyzing source data information for adapting the deep learning models in target domain.
 - Analysis of the model, data and distributional uncertainty for domain adaptation.
 - Working on adversarial learning for modality alignment and cross model generation problems.

Github Codes

- 2018 **Multimodal Differential Network for Visual Question Generation**, .
○ https://github.com/vinodkkurmi/Visual_Question_Generation.
- 2018 **Learning Semantic Sentence Embeddings using Pair-wise Discriminator**, .
○ https://github.com/vinodkkurmi/Visual_Question_Generation.

Industrial Collaboration Projects

- 2014 Gesture Recognition System of Smart TV (Samsung-IITK collaboration Project)

Technical Course Projects

- 2015 Gaussian Process based Hallucination of features for object classification (Machine Learning in Computer Vision)
- 2015 Study of Clustering and Classification Technique for Analytical Data Sets (Convex Optimization)
- 2015 Indoor Positioning Using UWB-IR Signals in the Presence of Dense Multipath with Path Overlapping (Statistical Signal Processing)

- 2013 Cooperative MIMO Multicell Networks (Wireless Communications)
- 2012 GPS based Vehicle Tracking System (B.E Project)

Industrial Workshops

- 2018 Participated in Amazon Research Day 2018 at Bangalore sponsored by Amazon
- 2017 Summer school on Advance Computer Vision using Deep learning(vision and language, videos, Domain Adaption, and advances in 3D) (IIITH)
- 2017 Summer School on Machine Learning using Deep Learning(optimization for DL, GAN, VAE, DL for RL and game theory) (IIITH)
- 2016 Mysore Park Workshop on Vision, Language and AI(Video Caption, guided LSTM, GAN, Adversarial auto-encoders, Deep contextual models) (VLA1 2016, Mysore)
- 2016 Summer School on Deep Learning (CNN, RNN, Auto-encoder, optimization for DL, model compression) (IIITH)

Technical skills

Deep learning Torch, Pytorch, Caffe

Tools: OpenCV, \LaTeX

Language : Lua, Python, C, C++, MATLAB

Awards

- 2017 Achieved Top 20 Rank and awarded by cash prize at Summer school of Machine Learning at Centre for Visual Information Technology (CVIT) Hyderabad
- 2017 Achieved Top 20 Rank and awarded by cash prize at Summer school of Computer Vision at Centre for Visual Information Technology (CVIT) Hyderabad
- 2016 TCS Research Fellowship Award for 4 years(2015-2019)
- 2014 Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) of CSIR -NET

Talks/Posters Presented

- 2018 Presented poster on Learning Semantic Sentence Embeddings using Pair-wise Discriminator at Amazon Research Day at Bangalore(India)
- 2017 Presented poster on Domain Adaptation on Computer Vision at Electrical Engineering IIT Kanpur Research Day
- 2016 Delivered State-of-the-Art seminar on Domain Adaptation and Modality Hallucination at Electrical Engineering IIT Kanpur

Professional Services

- 2018 Served as a reviewer in conference ICVGIP-2018