Suren Sritharan

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EDUCATION

M.Sc. Informatics (Computer Science)

Oct 2021 - present

Technical University of Munich

B.Sc. Engineering (Specializing in Computer Engineering)

Jan 2016 - July 2020

University of Peradeniya - GPA of 4.0/4.0 (Top of my class of 400+ students)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Working student at AstraZeneca Computational Pathology, Germany

May 2023 - present

Relating computer vision metrics with optical density measurements in image analysis of tumorous cells.

Student Research Assistant (Hiwi) at Technical University of Munich, Germany

Study on uncertainty estimation in Graph Neural Networks (DAML lab)

Dec 2021 - March 2023

Monocular object detection and tracking for autonomous driving tasks (Providentia++ project)

Research Assistant at Sri Lanka Technological Campus, Sri Lanka

Aug 2020 - Sep 2021

Intrinsic image decomposition (IID) and image enhancement under varying illumination conditions.

Autonomous wireless network research intern, Nokia Bell Labs, Belgium

Feb 2019 - Aug 2019

Study on the limitations of machine learning models for wireless 5G networks and beyond.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Cooperative perception through deep fusion for autonomous driving applications

2023

- 3D object detection through multimodal (LiDAR, camera) multiview (road-side, vehicular) sensor fusion.
- The proposed cooperative transformer-based deep fusion model leads to +6.2 mAP increase compared to vehicular fusion.

Monocular 3D object detection and birds-eye-view tracking

2022

- Estimated the 3D position of vehicles from monocular images taken from infrastructure cameras through semantic segmentation and pose estimation + tracking through coordinate transformation to BEV.
- Late fusion model developed based on the monocular detector improved the SOTA mAP by +1.62.

Anomaly detection during production process through images

2022

- Created an efficient ML pipeline using PyTorch to detect anomalies at the image and pixel levels with recall rate of 97%. This has been successfully deployed at Siemens GWE, to identify the anomalies in images captured during the production process of heat sinks.
- Performed hyper-parameter tuning through Optuna and WandB, and deployment + testing using ZenML.

Low light image enhancement and interpretation

2020

• Proposed a cyclic-GAN-based model for illumination enhancement trained with both paired and unpaired images which provides near-SOTA efficacy and higher efficiency.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, Java, C, C++, R, MATLAB, Javascript
- ML Tools: PyTorch, TensorFlow, MLflow, ZenML, Weka
- Other tools and Technologies: Docker, ROS, Open3D, CARLA Simulator, HTML, CSS, Django, NodeJS, Nginx, MySQL

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL

S. Sritharan, H. Weligampola, and H. Gacanin, "A Study on Deep Learning for Latency Constraint Applications in Beyond 5G Wireless Systems" in *IEEE Access*, vol. 8, pp. 218037-218061, 2020.

https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/9268052

G.Jayatilaka, J.Hassan, **S.Sritharan**, J.Senanayaka, H.Weligampola, R.Godaliyadda, P.Ekanayake, V.Herath, J.Ekanayake, S.Dharmaratne, "Holistic Interpretation of Public Scenes Using Computer Vision and Temporal Graphs to Identify Social Distancing Violations." in *Applied Sciences*, vol 12 no 17, pp 8428, 2022 https://www.mdpi.com/2076-3417/12/17/8428

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

H.S. Weligampola, G.C. Jayatilaka, **S. Sritharan**, P. Ekanayaka, R. Ragel, and V. Herath, R. Godaliyadda, "An Optical physics inspired CNN approach for intrinsic image decomposition", IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2021. https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/abstract/document/9506375

G.C. Jayatilaka*, H.S. Weligampola*, **S. Sritharan***, P. Pathmanathan, R. Ragel, and I. Nawinne. "Non-contact Infant Sleep Apnea Detection" 14th IEEE International Conference on Industrial and Information Systems (ICIIS), 2019. https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/9063269

H.S. Weligampola, G.C. Jayatilaka, **S. Sritharan**, R. Godaliyadda, P. Ekanayaka, R. Ragel, and V. Herath, "A Retinex Based GAN Pipeline to Utilize Paired and Unpaired Datasets for Enhancing Low Light Images", Moratuwa Engineering Research Conference (MERCon), 2020.

https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/9185373

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Deutschlandstipendium Merit-based scholarship awarded by the federal government of Germany.	2022
Best Performance in Engineering C. A. Hewavitharana Prize for best academic performance in Engineering.	2020
Award for best final year thesis Prof. E. F. Bartholomeusz Endowment award for the best Final Year Project.	2020
Huawei - Seeds for the Future Represented Sri Lanka at the Huawei Seeds for the Future program held in China.	2019
IEEEXtreme 13.0 - 2nd Country Rank, 64th World Rank 24-hour Worldwide competitive programming competition organized by IEEE.	2019
IEEEXtreme 12.0 - 2nd Country Rank, 79th World Rank	2018
Humanitarian Product Competition: IEEE R10 - 1st place Product development competition organized by IEEE for Asia Pacific region.	2018
Google Code Jam - Qualified to R1 (with top country ranks at qualifications) Worldwide competitive programming competition organized by Google.	2017, 2018, 2019
IEEEXtreme 11.0 - 1st Country Rank, 113th World Rank	2017
Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Merit-based scholarship awarded by government of Sri Lanka for performance at GC	2016 CE A/L examination.