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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) <i>M.S. / Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering</i>	Aug 2023 – May 2028 (Present)
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) <i>Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering with Highest Honor</i> James Scholar Honors Program, Dean’s List	Aug 2019 – May 2023 GPA: 3.93/4.0

SKILLS

Programming	C++, Python, CUDA, Swift
Deep Learning	Pytorch, Scikit-Learn, OpenCV, Pandas, ROS
Web and Design	Git, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, CI/CD, Docker, Blender 3D

Coursework:

Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning,	Principles of Safe Autonomy, Applied Linear Algebra,	Applied Parallel Programming, Computational Photography,	Computer Vision, Digital Signal Processing
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EXPERIENCE

Rivian Automotive, Inc. Machine Learning Intern	Jan 2023 – Aug 2023 Champaign, IL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Added new capabilities to optimize real-time image processing in Advanced Driver-Assistance System (ADAS) modelsGenerated random neural network test cases with respective inputs and outputs using PyTorchBuilt end-to-end testing pipeline with Gitlab CI/CD on various deep-learning Models for Rivian hardware platform	
Synchrony Emerging Technology Intern — Credit Innovation Team	May 2021 – Dec 2021 Champaign, IL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Analyzed Proactive Credit Line Increase Strategy and migrate strategy to Enterprise DataLake using PythonVerified the strategy performs identically on databases before and after migration by running simulations and tests	

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

<i>Shadows Don’t Lie and Lines Can’t Bend! Generative Models don’t know Projective Geometry. . . for now</i> A. Sarkar*, H. Mai*, A. Mahapatra*, S. Lazebnik, D. A. Forsyth, A. Bhattad In Submission (preprint arXiv:2311.17138)	(* for equal contribution)
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RESEARCH PROJECTS

Occlusion Aware Crowd Navigation Prof. Katie Driggs-Campbell Human-Centered Autonomy Lab	May 2022 – Aug 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Implement ConvLSTM-based Variational Autoencoder to predict human positions in Occupancy Grid Map (OGM)Evaluate accuracy of generated OGM with blob detection to access the network’s ability to “see” occluded pedestriansIntegrate baseline A-star planner with occlusion inference module on UCY pedestrian dataset.	
Convolutional Neural Network Pruning and Quantization for FPGA Prof. Volodymyr Kindratenko National Center for Supercomputing Applications	May 2022 – Sep 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Train VGG16 image classification CNN using PyTorch and CIFAR10 dataset with team of threeReduce model size by more than 4x using pruning and PyTorch’s Post Training Quantization frameworkCollaborate with FPGA team to integrate quantized 8 bit convolutional kernels for image classification on hardware	

COURSE PROJECTS

Digital Notes With Any Pen on Any Surface CS 445: Computational Photography	Aug 2022 – Dec 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed vision-based system to allow a user to take notes digitally using only a webcam in real-timeDeveloped calibration method that translates detected stylus locations on the table to drawings on screenReceived Donald L. Bitzer and H. Gene Slottow Creativity Award. Presented project at UIUC Engineering Open House	
Autonomous Parking Navigation ECE 484: Principle of Safe Autonomy	May 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Collaborated with team and used A-star search planning algorithm for autonomous parking on Gazebo simulatorIntegrated planning algorithm with on-board system of Polaris GEM Vehicle for real world parking testVerified and improved success of parking by adjusting parameters (e.g. braking condition, planning frequency)	