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# **EDUCATION**

2017 - 2023 **PhD in Computer Science** 

Princeton University

Advisor: Olga Russakovsky

2012 - 2017 B. Tech & M. Tech in Computer Science IIT Madras

Advisor: Jayalal Sarma

### <u>TEACHING EXPERIENCE</u>

#### **Primary instructor:**

- Freshman Scholars Institute (FSI) (summer 2022)
  - Taught introductory statistics, R programming and data visualization to incoming first year students
  - Lecture evaluation: 4.4/5, tutorial evaluation: 4.7/5
- Princeton AI4All (instructor in summer 2020, lead instructor in summer 2021)
  - Taught introductory machine learning to high school students who are under-represented in machine learning.
  - Designed mini projects for students to learn about computer vision.
- Volunteer at **Princeton Learning Cooperative** (2019 present)
  - 2 hours per week each year, teaching home-schooled students basic and intermediate
    Python programming.
  - Created a syllabus and prepared Google colab notebooks to introduce students to
    Python constructs, designed projects for more advanced students.

#### Teaching assistant:

- Introduction to Machine learning (Princeton, Independent seminar, fall 2022)
- Theory of computation (Princeton, fall 2018, fall 2019)
- Advanced complexity theory (Princeton, spring 2019)
- Uncertainty and computation (Princeton, Independent seminar, fall 2018)
- Discrete mathematics for computer science (IIT Madras, spring 2017)
- Computability and Complexity (IIT Madras, fall 2016)

# **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Preprints and under review

- V. V. Ramaswamy, S. S. Y. Kim, N. Meister, R. Fong, and O. Russakovsky. UFO: A unified method for controlling Understandability and Faithfulness Objectives in concept-based explanations for CNNs. *Under review*, 2022.
- V. V. Ramaswamy, S. Y. Lin, D. Zhao, A. B. Adcock, L. van der Maaten, D. Ghadiyaram, and O. Russakovsky. Beyond web-scraping: Crowd-sourcing a geographically diverse image dataset.
  Preprint, 2022
- V. V. Ramaswamy, S. S. Y. Kim, N. Meister, R. Fong, and O. Russakovsky. ELUDE: Generating interpretable explanations via a decomposition into labelled and unlabelled features. *Preprint*, 2022.
- N. Meister\*, D. Zhao\*, A. Wang, **V. V. Ramaswamy**, R. Fong, and O. Russakovsky. Gender artifacts in visual datasets. *Preprint*, 2022

#### Peer reviewed publications

 $(\alpha - \beta)$  denotes alphabetical ordering of authors

- V. V. Ramaswamy, S. S. Y. Kim, R. Fong, and O. Russakovsky. Overlooked factors in concept-based explanations: Dataset choice, concept learnability, and human capability. *CVPR*, 2023
- S. S. Y. Kim, N. Meister, **V. V. Ramaswamy**, R. Fong, and O. Russakovsky. HIVE: Evaluating the human interpretability of visual explanations. *ECCV*, 2022
- A. Wang, **V. V. Ramaswamy**, and O. Russakovsky. Towards intersectionality in machine learning: Including more identities, handling underrepresentation, and performing evaluation. *FAccT*, 2022
- **V. V. Ramaswamy**, S. S. Y. Kim, and O. Russakovsky. Fair attribute classification through latent space debiasing. *CVPR*, 2021.
- (α β) A. Graur, T. Pollner, V. Ramaswamy, S. M. Weinberg. New query lower bounds for submodular function minimization. *ICTS*, 2020.
- (α-β) V. Ramaswamy, J. Sarma, K. S. Sunil. Space Complexity of Reachability Testing in Labelled Graphs. LATA, 2017, JCSS, 2019.

# **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- Fellowship from the Canadian Princeton Alumni Fund, for 2017-18
- Sri V Srinivasan Memorial Prize, 2017. Awarded to the student with the highest CGPA across all Dual Degree students at IIT Madras
- Sri K Krishnamurthi Prize, 2014. Awarded for best academic record in academic year 2012-13.

# **OUTREACH**

- Facilitator for the **Gender Group** (2022-2023)
  - Host a support group for transgender, non-binary and gender non-conforming students
- **Princeton FSI** (Summer 2022)
  - Program for incoming first year undergraduate students from first generation / low income families.
- **Princeton AI4ALL** (Summer 2020, Summer 2021)
  - Taught AI to high school students from underrepresented groups in CS.
- Peer Educator, Gender and Sexuality Resource Center (2019 present, Leader 2021 present)
  - Organize panels to educate students and the general public about creating safe environments for LGBTQIA+ members.

# **SERVICE**

#### Workshops

- V. V. Ramaswamy, W. T. Freeman, L. Fei-Fei, P. Perona, A. Torralba, O. Russakovsky. Future of Computer Vision Datasets. CVPR 2021. <a href="https://visualai.princeton.edu/fcvd/">https://visualai.princeton.edu/fcvd/</a>
- S. S. Y. Kim, **V. V. Ramaswamy**, R. Fong, F. Radenovic, A. Dubey, D. Ghadiyaram. The 2nd Explainable AI for Computer Vision (XAI4CV) Workshop. CVPR 2023.

#### Reviewer at

- Conferences: CVPR (2022-present), ECCV (2022), BMVC (2022), SATML (2023), ICCV (2023)
- Workshops: RCV (2021, 2022), RAI (2021)