

# SHIVANAND KUNDARGI

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## Education

### University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science, PhD Advisor: [Dr. Tejas Gokhale](#), GPA: 4.00

Aug. 2024 – Present

Maryland, United States

**Courses:** Robust ML, NLP, Neural Networks, Machine Learning.

### KLE Technological University

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communication, GPA: 3.68

Aug. 2019 – Aug. 2023

Hubballi, Karnataka

**Courses:** Advanced Computer Vision, Signal Processing, Calculus, Algorithms.

## Research Interests

- Continual Learning
- Machine Unlearning
- Open-World Learning
- Computer Vision
- Representation Learning
- Interpretable AI

## Experience

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Research Scientist Intern

Summer 2025

Livermore, United States

- Working with Dr. Kowshik Thopalli and Dr. Vivek at Machine Intelligence Group

### University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Graduate Teaching/Research Assistant

Aug 2024 – Present

Maryland, United States

- At Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering TA for CMSC 331 in fall'24 and RA with Dr. Tejas Gokhale in spring'25

### Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad

Research Associate

Aug. 2023 - Aug. 2024

Hyderabad, India

- Worked with Dr. Vineeth Balasubramanian at Machine Learning and Vision Group on NCD/GCD problem

### Bosch Global Software Technologies

Summer Intern

May. 2022 - July. 2024

Bangalore, India

- Worked on safety critical automobile applications like Anti-pinch technology.

## Publications

- [SACK: Sequentially Acquiring Concepts to Guide Continual Learning](#)  
Shivanand Kundargi, Kowshik Thopalli, Tejas Gokhale, *Workshop on Visual Concepts @ CVPR*, 2025.
- [A benchmark grocery dataset of realworld point clouds from single view](#)  
Shivanand Sheshappanavar, Tejas Anvekar, **Shivanand Kundargi**, Yufan Wang and Chandra Kambhamettu, *International Conference on 3D Vision (3DV)*, 2024.
- [Novel class discovery for representation of real-world heritage data as neural radiance fields \(student abstract\)](#)  
**Shivanand Kundargi**, Tejas Anvekar, Ramesh Tabib, Uma Mudenagudi, *Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 2024.
- [Pointclimb: An exemplar-free point cloud class incremental benchmark](#)  
**Shivanand Kundargi**, Tejas Anvekar, Ramesh Tabib, Uma Mudenagudi, *CLVision workshop @ CVPR*, 2023.

## Technical Skills

**Languages:** Python, C++, C, Matlab, Simulink, Statesflow

**Research Tools:** Latex, Zotero, Mendeley, Obsidian

**Frameworks/Platforms:** Pytorch, Tensorflow, Avalanche, Detectron, Linux, GitHub, VS code

## Projects

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- SACK: Sequentially Acquiring Concepts for Continual Learning** | *Pytorch* **UMBC 2025**
- A framework to guide continual learning via concept based importance sampling.
- Can unlearning mitigate adversaries in continual learning?** | *Pytorch* **UMBC 2024-25**
- Hypothesized a novel problem, made initial efforts to check if adversarial training helps mitigate attacks in continual framework. currently under progress
- Exploring non-monotonic reasoning to address context shift in LLM/LMMs** | *Pytorch* **UMBC 2025**
- Observing that LLMs cant handle context shifts during conversations and are mostly biased to conversation history. I am exploring non-monotonic reasoning chains towards addressing the problem.
- Narrative grounded video summarization** | *Pytorch* **UMBC 2025**
- Introducing adversaries in videos can impact the narrative of the video. I intend to ground this problem and measure the deviation of narrative when adversaries are introduced.

## Achievements

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- Smart India Hackathon Senior Software Edition** | *DRDO, Govt of India* **Winner 2022**
- Cash prize awarded : 1,00,000, Lead the team of 6, winners among 60+ teams
- 1st Workshop on Maritime Computer Vision (MaCVi) 2023: Challenge** | *MaCVi Workshop* **WACV 2022**
- 12th Position in Leaderboard of Object detection on MaCVi data.
- Encode Hackathon** | *BOSCH, IIT Gawahati* **Winner 2022**
- Cash prize awarded : 30,000, Lead the team of 4, winners among 200+ teams

## Media Coverage

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My interview with Ministry of Education(Government of India) on [“How to ace hackathons”](#)

## Academic Service

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**Conferences: Program Committee**– AAAI 2025, CoLLAs 2025, ELAMI workshop @ MICCAI 2025  
**Journals: Technical Reviewer**– Pattern Recognition, Intelligent Decision Technologies

## References

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Available upon request