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SUMMARY

My research interests lie at the intersection of **visual cognition**, **natural language**, and **data visualization**. Specifically, I investigate how visualization aesthetics and affordances influence decision-making, and build visual analytics pipelines. I also have a background in exploring bias in **natural language models**, learning from **instructions/prompting**, and investigating the influence of visualization techniques in **supply chain and project management**.

EDUCATION

Arizona State University

Ph.D. in Computer Science

📅 August 2019 – Present

- **Research Assistant** at Sonoran Visualization Laboratory, School of Computing and Augmented Intelligence, GPA 3.96.

Meenakshi Sundararajan Engineering College (Anna University)

B.E. in Computer Science and Engineering

📅 June 2015-May 2019

- Anna University **Gold Medal Recipient** (2015-19), for 1st Rank in B.E. Computer Science and Engineering amongst 15000 students
- Published in **2 conferences and 1 journal** as primary contributor.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Honorable Mention** in VAST challenge, 2020.
- **Finalist** in Undergraduate Poster competition, NEDSI 2018.
- **Finalist** in Accenture Hackdiva, 2018.
- **Finalist** in Livewire Hackathon, 2017.
- **Interact Award of Merit** from Rotary International, 2014.
- **First Place** in Mathematical Competition, Association of Mathematics Teachers of India, 2012.

PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)

1. Real-Time Visual Feedback to Guide Benchmark Creation: A Human-and-Metric-in-the-Loop Workflow 📌¹
Anjana Arunkumar*, Swaroop Mishra, Bhavdeep Sachdeva, Chitta Baral, and Chris Bryan
[EACL, 2023](#)
2. Examining The Effects of Visual Redundancy on Understanding Uncertainty Representations in Schedule Risk Analysis 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, and Arun Madapusi
[Southwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2023](#)
3. Examining the Effect of Reconfiguration Interactions on Understanding Uncertainty in Supply Chain Disruption 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, and Arun Madapusi
[Southwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2023](#)

¹📌 indicates a conference presentation

RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS

Paragon Digital Services Pvt. Ltd., Dentsu Aegis

📅 December 2018 – April 2019 at Chennai

- Use of **R**, **Python** to implement intelligent client-product recommendation interface via **abstractive summarization**.
- Performing **granular sentiment detection**, using a recurrent neural network approach, over a dataset of online reviews for Slack.
- Building a client interface, flagging sentiments and sarcasm in opinion units, and generating an **interactive visualization** dashboard of the same.

Paragon Digital Services Pvt. Ltd., Dentsu Aegis

📅 June 2018 - August 2018 at Chennai

- Training in Data Analysis Techniques, **Digital Marketing and Business Intelligence Tools**.
- Analysis of chain stores for profit analysis and factors: use of **Tableau and SQL** to make **recommendations** regarding marketing strategies for client products.
- **Survey design and ad campaign structuring** for an image publishing service company using Google Data Studio.
- Use of **R tool/Python** to implement classification algorithms on data sets for an optical wear company.

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- **ASU**: Data Visualization, Natural Language Processing, Current issues in Visual Cognition, Current Issues in Cognitive Science, Statistical Machine Learning: From Theory to Algorithms, Data Mining, Foundation of Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Mobile Computing, and Information Assurance & Security.
- **Anna University**: Engineering Graphics, Database Management Systems, Computer Networks, Operating Systems, Software Engineering, Internet Programming, Object Oriented Analysis & Design, Computer Graphics, Cryptography and Network Security, Grid and Cloud Computing, Adhoc and Sensor Networks, Human Computer Interaction, Neural Networks

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED)

4. PMU Tracker: A Visualization Platform for Epicentric Event Propagation Analysis in the Power Grid ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Andrea Pinceti, Lalitha Sankar, and Chris Bryan
[IEEE Visualization Conference, 2022](#)
5. PMUVis: A Large Scale Platform to Assist Power System Operators in a Smart Grid
Anjana Arunkumar*, Nitin Gupta, Andrea Pinceti, Lalitha Sankar, and Chris Bryan
[IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications, 2022](#)
6. Benchmarking Generalization via In-Context Instructions on 1,600+ Language Tasks.
Swaroop Mishra*, Yizhong Wang*, Pegah Alipoormolabashi, Yeganeh Kordi, Amirreza Mirzaei, **Anjana Arunkumar** et. al..Chitta Baral, Yejin Choi, Noah A. Smith, Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Daniel Khashabi
[EMNLP 2022](#)
7. How Robust are Model Rankings : A Leaderboard Customization Approach for Equitable Evaluation ◀
Swaroop Mishra*, **Anjana Arunkumar***
[AAAI 2021](#)
8. Enterprise Systems, Organizational Practices, and Firm Performance: An Innovation Diffusion Perspective ◀
Arunkumar Madapusi*, **Anjana Arunkumar***
[International Journal of Management Information Systems, 2018](#)
9. Examining the Effect of Visual Redundancy on the Understanding of Visualizations in Procurement and Sourcing ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2022](#)
10. Examining the Effect of Reconfiguration Interactions on the Understanding of Anomalies in Supply Chain Management ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2022](#)
11. Evaluation of Visual Uncertainty Representations in Schedule Risk Analysis ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Midwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2022](#)
12. Modelling the Complexity of Risk Centered Supply Chain Network Visualization ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Midwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2022](#)
13. Bayesian Modelling of Alluvial Diagram Complexity ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Shashank Ginjipalli, and Chris Bryan.
[IEEE Visualization Conference, 2021](#)
14. Impact of Uncertainty Representation on Decision Making for Business Network Visualization ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2021](#)
15. Bayesian Modelling of Uncertainty in Schedule Risk Analysis using Gantt Charts ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2021](#)
16. Modelling the Complexity of Supply Chain Network Visualization ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Daniel Ortiz, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2021](#)
17. Strategy-Enterprise System Alignment and Firm Performance ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Northeast Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2021](#)
18. A Visual Exploration of Fair Evaluation for ML - Bridging the Gap

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages

- Python, R, C, C++, MySQL, Kotlin, Perl
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Web Technologies

- D3.js, JavaScript, JSON, NodeJS, HTML, CSS, JQuery, WordPress, Java, XML
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Machine Learning Frameworks

- Scikit-Learn, Tensorflow, Keras, NLTK, PyTorch, Huggingface
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Tools

- Tableau, Gephi, MATLAB, Git, SPSS, LaTeX, Colab, Eclipse, Google Data Studio
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

Data Visualization, CSE 578

Fall 2022, ASU : Students learn about techniques and algorithms for creating effective visualizations based on principles from graphic design, visual art, perceptual psychology and cognitive science to enhance the understanding of complex data.

Teaching Assistant

Database Management, CSE 412

Fall 2019, ASU : Students are introduced to DBMS concepts. Data models and languages. Relational database theory. Database security/integrity and concurrency.

Teaching Assistant

Data Structures and Algorithms, CSE 310

Fall 2019, ASU : Students learn about advanced data structures and algorithms, including stacks, queues, trees (B, B+, AVL), and graphs. Searching for graphs, hashing, external sorting.

REVIEWING

- Visualization/HCI: IEEE VIS, TVCG, and CGA, PacificVis, EuroVis
- NLP/ML: EMNLP, ACL, ICML, NAACL, NeurIPS, AAAI
- Management: DSI, SWDSI, NEDSI, MWDSI

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED)

- Between Research and the Real World 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Swaroop Mishra, Chris Bryan
[Visualization for AI Explainability \(VISxAI workshop\), IEEE Visualization Conference, 2020](#)
19. TotemFinder: A Visual Analytics Approach for Image-based Key Players Identification
Jinbin Huang*, Aditi Mishra, **Anjana Arunkumar**, Chris Bryan
[VAST Challenge, IEEE Visualization Conference, 2020 \(Honorable Mention\)](#)
20. DQI: A Guide to Benchmark Evaluation
Swaroop Mishra*, **Anjana Arunkumar**, Bhavdeep Sachdeva, Chris Bryan, Chitta Baral
[Uncertainty Robustness in Deep Learning Workshop, ICML, 2020](#)
21. Our Evaluation Metric Needs an Update to Encourage Generalization 📌
Swaroop Mishra*, **Anjana Arunkumar**, Chris Bryan, Chitta Baral
[Uncertainty Robustness in Deep Learning Workshop, ICML, 2020](#)
22. VAIDA: An Educative Benchmark Creation Paradigm using Visual Analytics for Interactively Discouraging Artifacts 📌
Swaroop Mishra*, **Anjana Arunkumar***, Bhavdeep Sachdeva, Chris Bryan, Chitta Baral
[Crowd Science Workshop: Remoteness, Fairness, and Mechanisms as Challenges of Data Supply by Humans for Automation, NeurIPS, 2020](#)
23. Real-Time Visual Feedback for Educative Benchmark Creation: A Human-and Metric-in-the-Loop Workflow Artifacts 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Swaroop Mishra, Bhavdeep Singh Sachdeva, Chitta Baral, Chris Bryan
[HAMLETS \(Human And Machine in-the-Loop Evaluation and Learning Strategies Workshop\), NeurIPS, 2020](#)
24. Front Contribution instead of Back Propagation
Swaroop Mishra*, **Anjana Arunkumar**
[Beyond Backpropagation: Novel Ideas for Training Neural Architectures \(Workshop\), NeurIPS, 2020](#)
25. Is High Quality Data All You Need?
Swaroop Mishra*, **Anjana Arunkumar**, Bhavdeep Sachdeva
[The pre-registration experiment: an alternative publication model for machine learning research \(Workshop\), NeurIPS, 2020](#)
26. Investigating the Influence of Top Management Support in Systemic Enterprise System Deployments 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2020](#)
27. Examining Data Visualization's Impact on Decision Making 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2020](#)
28. Investigating the Influence of Chart Embellishment on Decision Making 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2020](#)
29. Integration Mechanisms, Absorptive Capacity, Enterprise Systems 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)
30. Relational Capital Enterprise Systems 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)
31. The Role of Consultants in Enterprise Systems 📌
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)

INVITED TALKS

Cyber Forensics

E3 Symposium

📅 2019

📍 MSEC

Text Mining in Digital Forensics

E3 Symposium

📅 2018

📍 MSEC

Data Mining in Criminology

SPARK Symposium

📅 2018

📍 MIT Chromeplet

Six Sigma Methodology and Benchmarking

E3 Symposium

📅 2017

📍 MSEC

Skin Technology and Bio-Infomatics

Knightron Symposium

📅 2017

📍 Loyola ICAM

Sensitive Skin Technology

E3 Symposium

📅 2016

📍 MSEC

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- **Organizer:**
Program Committee Member of VLDB 2021 Crowd Science Workshop, Organizer of E3 symposium 2016-18 at MSEC (AU), Organizer of Kranti Symposium 2017 at MSEC (AU)
- **Session Chair:**
DSI 2019: Business Analytics, DSI 2020: Business Analytics, Information Technology Management, DSI 2021: Supply Chain Management, Project Management
- **Mentorship:**
ASU: Shashank Ginpalli, Nitin Gupta, Bhavdeep Sachdeva, Shubham Sharma, Jose Elenes, Jaimie Liu, Jai Narula, Arshdeep Sachdeva, Dhrumil Joshi.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English- Native Proficiency
- Tamil- Native Proficiency
- Hindi- Professional working proficiency
- Japanese (N4) - Limited working proficiency
- Sanskrit - Professional working proficiency

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED)

32. Abstractive Summarization Through Sentiment Analysis Of User Product Reviews - An RNN Approach ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Sandhya, M.K.
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)
33. Active Learning Methodology: Bridging Theory and Practice ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Sandhya, M.K. *, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Southwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)
34. ES Configurations and their Impact on firm Performance ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Monica Jenefer, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Southwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)
35. The Role of Moderators in ERP System Deployment Success ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Monica Jenefer, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Southwest Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2019](#)
36. Competences Influencing Absorptive Capacity in Enterprise Systems ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2018](#)
37. Enterprise System Configuration and Performance ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2018](#)
38. The Influence of Alignment in Enterprise System Deployments ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2018](#)
39. Absorptive Capacity in Enterprise Systems ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi
[Northeast Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2018](#)
(Finalist : Undergraduate Poster Competition)
40. Configuring SME Enterprise Systems ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Northeast Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2018](#)
41. Critical Success Factors in Enterprise Systems ◀
Anjana Arunkumar*, Arunkumar Madapusi*
[Northeast Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2018](#)
42. The Influence of Competency Factors in Enterprise System Deployments ◀
Arunkumar Madapusi*, **Anjana Arunkumar**
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2017](#)
43. The Influence of Knowledge Capabilities in Enterprise System Deployments ◀
Arunkumar Madapusi*, **Anjana Arunkumar**
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2017](#)
44. The Influence of Knowledge Capital in Enterprise System Deployments ◀
Arunkumar Madapusi*, **Anjana Arunkumar**
[Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, 2017](#)

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Regular interviewer and writer for the RAPRA Newsletter
- Chief Editor of the Techie Talk Newsletter (2016-2019)
- Member of the Computer Society of India
- Member of the Lions Club
- Member of the Interact Club/Rotary International
- Member of the AI Club (ASU)
- Member of the Women in STEM Club (ASU)
- Quizzing and Trivia
- Well-versed in Violin, Vocal Music, and Art Media