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Research Interests : *Physics-Based Machine Learning, Computational Imaging, Mathematical Modeling, Optical Neural Networks, Deep Learning, Signal Processing*

## EXPERIENCE

### Center for Advanced Imaging, Harvard University

MA, USA

Post-Baccalaureate Fellow

July 2022 – Present

- Developing computational models of diffractive deep neural networks for phase imaging.
- Computational modeling of differentiable optical non-linearities for diffractive deep neural networks.

### The University of Sydney

NSW, Australia

Visiting Researcher (Student)

Oct. 2020 – Mar. 2021

- Worked on a soft bending sensor development project.
- Worked on a research on harnessing incongruity to generate humor through computers.

### Biomedical Research and Innovation Collective

Colombo, Sri Lanka

Researcher (Part time)

June 2020 – June 2022

- Research on developing a low-cost, AI powered digital stethoscope.
- Research on developing a low-cost, user-friendly EEG monitoring system for screening neonatal seizures.

## EDUCATION

### University of Moratuwa

Sri Lanka

B.Sc. Eng (Hons.) Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering

Aug. 2017 – July 2022

- CGPA: 4.14/4.20 (Rank: 2/115)
- Modules Undertaken - Signals and Systems, Fundamentals of Computer Organization and Design, Robot Design and Competition, Fundamentals of Image Processing and Machine Vision, Digital Signal Processing, Circuits and Systems Design, Electronics Design Realization, Electronic Devices, Advanced Digital Systems, Digital IC Design, Machine Vision, Computer Systems Architecture

### D.S.Senanayake College

Ampara, Sri Lanka

General Certificate of Education Advanced Level

Mar. 2008 – Aug. 2016

- 3A (High Distinction) passes and ranked 27th in all island (out of 28,000 candidates) in Physical Science Stream (University Entrance).

### Further Education

MOOCs

- Improving Deep Neural Networks: Hyperparameter Tuning, Regularization and Optimization [ Credential ID [GVTNBAV2XD2J](#) ]
- Neural Networks and Deep Learning [ Credential ID [DF8NF557BY42](#) ]
- 3D Model Creation with Autodesk Fusion 360 [ Credential ID [3VG9YHFLC95D](#) ]

## PUBLICATIONS

### PEER-REVIEWED


#### Deep Optical Coding Design in Computational Imaging

2023

H.Arguello, J.Bacca, **H.Kariyawasam**, E.Vargas, M.Marquez, R.Hettiarachchi, H.Garcia, K.Herath, U.Haputhanthri, B.S.Ahluwalia, P.So, D.Wadduwage and C.U.S.Edussooriya

IEEE

IEEE SPM Special Issue on Physics-Driven Machine Learning for Computational Imaging

 [View on arXiv.org \(Accepted and to be published in Jan. 2023\)](#)

<b>A Novel Transfer Learning-Based Approach for Screening Pre-existing Heart Diseases Using Synchronized ECG Signals and Heart Sounds</b>	2021
R.Hettiarachchi, U.Haputhanthri, K.Herath, <b>H.Kariyawasam</b> , S.Munasinghe, K.Wickramasinghe, D.Samarasinghe, A.De Silva, C.U.S.Edussooriya	IEEE
IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS) 2021	
<a href="#">View on IEEE Xplore</a>	

## PREPRINTS

<b>From Hours to Seconds: Towards 100x Faster Quantitative Phase Imaging via Differentiable Microscopy</b>	2022
Udith Haputhanthri, Kithmini Herath, Ramith Hettiarachchi, <b>Hasindu Kariyawasam</b> , Azeem Ahmad, Balpreet S. Ahluwalia, C.U.S.Edussooriya and D.Wadduwage	
<a href="#">View on arXiv.org</a>	
<b>Differentiable Microscopy Designs an All Optical Quantitative Phase Microscope</b>	2022
K.Herath, U.Haputhanthri, R.Hettiarachchi, <b>H.Kariyawasam</b> , A.Ahmad, B.S.Ahluwalia, C.U.S.Edussooriya and D.Wadduwage	
<a href="#">View on arXiv.org</a>	
<b>Appropriate Incongruity Driven Co-Creation Tool to Help Novices Write Humorous Cartoon Captions</b>	2022
<b>H.Kariyawasam</b> , A.Niwarthana, A.Palmer, J.Kay, A.Withana [Under Review]	

## INVITED/ CONFERENCE TALKS

<b>Towards Fabricating Visible Wavelength D2NNs through Multi-Level Quantization for Quantitative Phase Imaging</b>	Jan. 2023
Photonic West Quantitative Phase Imaging IX Conference - CA, USA.	
<b>A Workshop on Healthcare Research: From Sketchbook to Real-World Implementation During a Global Pandemic</b>	Feb. 2021
IEEE EMBS International Student Conference - Virtual.	

## PATENT APPLICATIONS

<b>Differentiable Microscopy Designs an All Optical Quantitative Phase Microscope</b>
K.Herath*, U.Haputhanthri*, R.Hettiarachchi*, <b>H.Kariyawasam*</b> , A.Ahmad, B.S.Ahluwalia, C.U.S.Edussooriya and D.Wadduwage
Provisional Application - Harvard Ref. No. HU 8932.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

<b>BR41N.IO Brain-Computer Interface Designers' Hackathon</b>	Oct. 2020
Intheon Winner	
<b>2020 CASS COVID-19 Special Student Design Competition</b>	Sep. 2020
1st Runner Up	
<b>IEEE IAS CMD Humanitarian Contest 2020</b>	May 2020
2nd Runner Up	
<b>Innovate FPGA 2019</b>	Nov. 2019
Iron Award in the Asia-Pacific Region	

## SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

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### **Quantization Aware Training of Diffractive Deep Neural Networks for Nano-Fabrication**

June 2022 – Present

Center for Advanced Imaging, Harvard University

Advisors: Dr. Dushan Wadduwage, Prof. Peter So

Modeled and trained diffractive deep neural networks operating in the visible wavelength range considering the limitations in the nano-fabrication methods such as quantization and fabrication noise. The quantized model showed similar level of performance to the full-precision model.

*Fourier optics, Mathematical modelling, Quantization aware training, Physics-based machine learning, Pytorch, Python*

### **Modeling Differentiable Non-Linear Optical Models for Diffractive Deep Neural Networks**

June 2022 – Present

Center for Advanced Imaging, Harvard University

Advisor: Dr. Dushan Wadduwage

Trained a neural network to model a multimode fiber using neural ordinary differential equations. Modeled saturable absorption using a system of differential equations. Introduced optical non-linear layers to diffractive deep neural networks.

*Mathematical modelling, Physics-based machine learning, Neural ODE, Pytorch, Python*

### **A Novel Hardware Accelerated Imaging Cytometry Modality Using Diffractive Deep Neural Networks**

June 2021 – June 2022

University of Moratuwa

Advisors: Dr. Chamira Edussooriya, Dr. Dushan Wadduwage

Modeled light propagation through diffractive deep neural networks using an efficient method. Implemented a hardware accelerated image reconstruction network in a cloud FPGA. Resulted an accelerated imaging cytometry modality and an all-optical phase imaging system.

*Fourier optics, Mathematical modeling, Physics-based machine learning, High level synthesis using Vitis AI, Pytorch, Python*

## OTHER PROJECTS

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### **Development of a Co-Design Tool to Write Humorous Cartoon Captions**

Jan. 2021 – Sep. 2022

The University of Sydney

### **Development of a Resistive Soft Bending Sensor for Multi-Joint, Multi-Dimensional Bending Angle Measurement**

Oct. 2020 – Apr. 2021

The University of Sydney

### **Development of a Low-Cost and User-Friendly EEG Monitoring System for Screening Neonatal Seizures**

Oct. 2020 – June 2022

Biomedical Research and Innovation Collective

### **Development of a Low-Cost AI-Powered Stethoscope for Cardiovascular Disease Management for Resource-Constraint Environments**

June 2020 – June 2022

Biomedical Research and Innovation Collective

### **Doppler Radar based Drone Detection**

Aug. 2019 – June 2022

University of Moratuwa

### **Real-time Sign Language to Speech Translator**

July 2019 – Nov. 2019

University of Moratuwa

## VOLUNTEER WORK

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### **University Students' Association, Ampara**

2017 – Present

Taught physics and mathematics to high school students in the rural areas of Sri Lanka.

Ampara, Sri Lanka

Conducted workshops on basic robotics for high school students.

## ☆ SKILLS

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**Languages:** Sinhala, English

**Programming Skills:** Python, PyTorch, MATLAB, C++, Verilog, OpenCL C++, CUDA

**Technical Skills:** Electronics, Altium Designer, Solidworks, R Studio, Unity, Autodesk Fusion 360, OrCAD, ANSYS, Vitis AI, Mathematical Modelling

**Other Skills:** Leadership, Team Work

## 👤 REFERENCES

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**Dr. Chamira Edussooriya**

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