

**FEATURE DETECTION AND EXTRACTION IN  
COLOUR FUNDUS IMAGES OF THE HUMAN  
RETINA USING BITPLANE DECOMPOSITION  
AND MATHEMATICAL MORPHOLOGY**

**A THESIS**

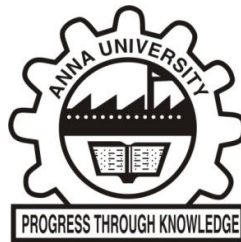
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