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Interests and Objectives

My main interest is *High Performance Computing*. I am currently active in areas like *Parallel Computing* and *General-Purpose Computation on Graphics Processing Units (GPGPU)*. My motivation lies on applying all that computing knowledge to solve cross-disciplinary problems. In fact, my current projects involve parallel computing and 3D computer vision problems. My other related passions are physics, scientific simulations, 3D computer graphics, robotics and AI.

Being conscious of my limited knowledge in all those fields, I strive for seizing all the opportunities to learn and improve my skills in those fields and also discover current and future challenges to find my true passion and contribute where I can.

Research Experience

2015 (Summer)

PRACE Summer Of High Performance Computing Student

Jülich Supercomputing Centre, Forschungszentrum Jülich

Worked on parallel computing on GPUs. The goal was to accelerate, using CUDA, certain parts of the Fast Multipole Method (FMM) used to speed up the calculation of long-range forces in the N-body problem. The work was supervised by Ivo Kabadshow and Andreas Beckmann. Jiri Kraus, from NVIDIA, offered valuable support for the development.

2014-2015

Research Internship

Department of Computer Technology, University of Alicante

Worked on 3D vision algorithms related to object recognition under time constraints using technologies like Kinect 2.0 and CUDA with the Jetson TK1 platform. The research was performed under the direction of José García-Rodríguez and Sergio Orts-Escolano.

2013 - 2014

Research Internship

Department of Computer Technology, University of Alicante

Worked on computer vision and computational geometry algorithms. Our efforts were directed towards the development of an accelerated variant of the Iterative Closest Point method. The research was supervised by Higinio Mora-Mora and Jerónimo Mora-Pascual.

Educational Background

2015–2016 | Master's Degree in Automation and Robotics

(Expected) | University of Alicante

Master's Thesis: TBD.

Supervisors: José García-Rodríguez.

2011–2015 | Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering

University of Alicante

High Academic Performance Group – Average grade: 9.75/10

Bachelor's Thesis (with Honors): "Towards a real-time 3D object recognition pipeline on mobile

GPGPU computing platforms using low-cost RGB-D sensors". Supervisors: José García-Rodríguez and Sergio Orts-Escolano

2014 Erasmus Intensive Programme: Big Data

The University of Salford

Honors and Awards

2014 | CUDA Programming Contest

Winner of the CUDA Programming Contest organized by the Department of Computer Technology (DTIC) during the IV Workshop of scientific applications and computer vision on graphics processors (JGPU14) for the work entitled "CUDA Implementation of Kohonen maps".

Grants

2014 | Research Collaboration Grant

Research collaboration grant for initiation in research tasks during an eight month stay (November, 2014 – June, 2015) at the Department of Computer Technology at the University of Alicante funded by the *Ministerio de Educación*, *Cultura y Deporte* (MECD) from Spain.

Research

I am currently an intern at the *Industrial Informatics and Computer Networks (I2RC)* research group which belongs to the *Department of Computer Technology (DTIC)* of the University of Alicante. The research collaboration is being supervised by the professor José García-Rodríguez.

Publications

Journals

- [j4] 2015 Towards a real-time 3D object recognition pipeline on mobile GPGPU computing platforms using low-cost RGB-D sensors. Alberto Garcia-Garcia, Sergio Orts-Escolano, Jose Garcia-Rodriguez, Miguel Cazorla. Journal of Real-Time Image Processing. (Under review).
- [j3] 2015 Computational Analysis of Distance Operators for the Iterative Closest Point Algorithm. Higinio Mora-Mora, Jeronimo Mora-Pascual, Pablo Martinez-Gonzalez, Alberto Garcia-Garcia. Mathematical Problems in Engineering. (Under review).
- [j2] 2015 3D Model Reconstruction using Neural Gas Accelerated on GPUs. Sergio Orts-Escolano, Jose Garcia-Rodriguez, Jose Antonio Serra-Perez, Antonio Jimeno, Vicente Morell-Gimenez, Miguel Cazorla, Alberto Garcia-Garcia. Applied Soft Computing Journal. doi:10.1016/j.asoc.2015.03.042. JCR IMPACT FACTOR: 2.140
- [j1] 2015 3D Surface Reconstruction of noisy Point Clouds using Growing Neural Gas: Object/Scene Reconstruction. Sergio Orts-Escolano, Jose Garcia-Rodriguez, Vicente Morell-Gimenez, Miguel Cazorla, Jose Antonio Serra-Perez, Alberto Garcia-Garcia. Neural Processing Letters. doi:10.1007/s11063-015-9421-x. JCR IMPACT FACTOR: 2.005

Conferences

- [c3] 2015 Efficient Matching for the Iterative Closest Point Algorithm by using Low Cost Distance Metrics. Higinio Mora-Mora, Jeronimo Mora-Pascual, Pablo Martinez-Gonzalez, Alberto Garcia-Garcia. International Conference on Applied Mathematics and Computational Methods in Engineering 2015.
- [c2] 2015 Optimized Representation of 3D Sequences using Neural Networks. Sergio Orts-Escolano, Jose Garcia-Rodriguez, Vicente Morell, Miguel Cazorla, Alberto Garcia-Garcia, Sergiu Ovidiu-Oprea. International Work-conference on the Interplay between Natural and Artificial Computation 2015.
- [c1] 2014 Convergence Analysis and Validation of low Cost Distance Metrics for Computational Cost Reduction of the Iterative Closest Point algorithm. Higinio Mora-Mora, Jerónimo Mora-Pascual, Pablo Martínez-González, Alberto García-García. Mathematical Modelling in Engineering & Human Behaviour 2014.

Projects participation

2014 - Today

SIRMAVED (DPI2013-40534-R)

"Development of a comprehensive robotic system for monitoring and interaction for people with acquired brain damage and dependent people." Spanish National Project.

Courses and training

- Summer course on scientific applications and computer vision on graphics processors at the University of Alicante, 2013.
- Workshop on scientific applications and computer vision on graphics processors at the University of Alicante, 2013.
- Interactive 3D Graphics (Highest Distinction) Online at Udacity, 2013.
- Functional Programming Principles in Scala (Highest Distinction)
 Online at Coursera, 2013

Languages

English | Fluent (B2+)
Spanish | Native

Reference List

• Ivo Kabadshow

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