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Education

PhD in Computer Science

Aug. 2020 - Present

Stony Brook University, New York

- Research interests: Computer Vision and Deep Learning (Advisor: Prof. Dimitris Samaras)
- Relevant coursework: Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Robotics, Natural Language Processing (GPA: 4.0)

BSc & MSc in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Sept. 2011 - Aug. 2017

National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), Greece

- Thesis: “Speaker Adaptation for Speech Emotion Recognition” (Advisor: Prof. Alexandros Potamianos)
- Relevant coursework: Computer Vision, Pattern Recognition, Digital Signal Processing, Image and Video Analysis and Technology, Medical Image Processing, Speech and Natural Language Processing

Professional and Research Experience

Research & Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2020 - Present

Computer Vision Lab, Stony Brook University, New York

- Carry out research in 3D/4D implicit representations for human face reconstruction, talking face generation, and human body animation
- Carry out research in audio-driven talking face video synthesis and expression transfer (& Amazon Prime Video)
- Teaching Assistant for Machine Learning course

Research Scientist Intern

May - Nov. 2022 - 2023

Meta Reality Labs, Seattle, WA & San Francisco, CA

- Carried out research in multimodal 4D face reconstruction
- Carried out research in 4D full-body talking human generation

Machine Learning Engineer

April 2018 - May 2020

Behavioral Signal Technologies, Los Angeles, CA (worked remotely from Greece)

- Developed robust models to recognize emotions and behaviors from speech in various domains and conditions
- Carried out research in data augmentation and GANs to address data imbalance in the real world
- Built the training and evaluation pipelines of the company’s ML infrastructure

Computer Vision Engineer Intern

Sept. 2017 - March 2018

Terabee (CERN spin-off), Geneva, Switzerland

- Developed a people tracking and counting system using a ToF depth camera
- Developed an image processing algorithm to generate robot trajectories based on sensor data

Lab & Research Assistant

Sept. 2016 - Aug. 2017

Speech and Language Processing Group, NTUA, Greece

- Carried out research in speech emotion recognition and speaker adaptation

Publications

- **A. Chatziagapi** and D. Samaras, “AVFace: Towards Detailed Audio-Visual 4D Face Reconstruction,” *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2023 [\[pdf\]](#)
- **A. Chatziagapi**, S. Athar, A. Jain, R. MV, V. Bhat, and D. Samaras, “LipNeRF: What is the right feature space to lip-sync a NeRF?,” *International Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition*, 2023 [\[pdf\]](#)
- **A. Chatziagapi**, S. Athar, F. Moreno-Noguer, and D. Samaras, “SIDER: Single-Image Neural Optimization for Facial Geometric Detail Recovery,” *International Conference on 3D Vision (3DV)*, 2021 [\[pdf\]](#)
- **A. Chatziagapi**, G. Paraskevopoulos, D. Sgouropoulos, G. Pantazopoulos, M. Nikandrou, T. Giannakopoulos, A. Katsamanis, A. Potamianos, and S. Narayanan, “Data Augmentation Using GANs for Speech Emotion Recognition,” *Interspeech*, 2019 (oral) [\[pdf\]](#) [\[US patent\]](#)

Technical Skills

Programming

Python, C/C++, MATLAB, UNIX Shell Scripting

Software Tools

PyTorch, Keras/TensorFlow, NumPy, OpenCV, Scikit-learn, Git

Languages

English (fluent), **French** (intermediate), **Greek** (native)

Honors and Awards

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| ISCA Travel Grant, Interspeech 2019, Austria | <i>Sept. 2019</i> |
| Honors, ranked 1st in math and science courses, I.M. Panagiotopoulos, Greece | <i>June 2011</i> |

Extra-Curricular Activities

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| Volunteer & Reviewer, IEEE 2018 Workshop on Spoken Language Technology, Greece | <i>Dec. 2018</i> |
| Deep Learning Specialization, deeplearning.ai, Coursera | <i>April 2018</i> |
| Certificate in Dance Teaching, Ministry of Culture and Sports, Greece | <i>June 2015</i> |