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## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

**Microsoft Research Project Prize** for best MSc. Computer Graphics, Vision and Imaging thesis at UCL (2010).

**BBC Best Overall Student Prize** in MSc. Computer Graphics, Vision and Imaging at UCL (2010).

**Software Design Finalist for Microsoft Imagine Cup 2007 Korea.** The project on Automated Video Recording of Lectures (AVRiL) was selected to represent Pakistan for the first time in this prestigious invitational.

**Mentor Graphics Project Award** for AVRiL - best BSc. senior year project (2007).

## EDUCATION

**Georgia Institute of Technology** Aug. '11 - April '18  
Ph.D. Computer Science, School of Interactive Computing

**University College London (UCL)** Sept. '09 - Sept. '10  
MSc. Computer Graphics, Vision and Imaging - *Distinction*

**Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)** Aug. '03 - July '07  
BSc. (Hons.). Computer Engineering (Major) - *High Merit*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Georgia Institute of Technology** *Graduate Research Assistant*, Computational Perception Lab. Aug. '11 - April '18

**Facebook AI Research, Menlo Park** *Research Intern* with Manohar Paluri and Piotr Dollár May '15 - July '15

**Microsoft Research, Redmond** *Research Intern*, Multimedia, Interaction, & Communication group May '14 - July '14

**The University of Warwick** *Research Associate*, Dept. of Computer Science Sept. '10 - Dec. '10

**Lahore University of Management Sciences** *Research Associate*, Dept. of Computer Science Jan. '07 - July '09

**MobileWeaver ApS** *Junior Software Developer*, Technical Department March '08 - Jan. '09

## PUBLICATIONS

**Iterative Machine Teaching.** (3<sup>rd</sup> author)  
*International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)* - Aug. '17. [ahumayun.com/pubs/itermteach17](http://ahumayun.com/pubs/itermteach17)

**Multiple-Instance Video Segmentation with Sequence-Specific Object Proposals.** (3<sup>rd</sup> author)  
*The 2017 DAVIS Challenge on Video Object Segmentation - CVPR Workshops* - July '17. [ahumayun.com/pubs/davisvid17](http://ahumayun.com/pubs/davisvid17)

**The Middle Child Problem: Revisiting Parametric Min-cut and Seeds for Object Proposals .** (1<sup>st</sup> author)  
*International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)* - Dec. '15. [rehg.org/poise](http://rehg.org/poise)

**Finding Temporally Consistent Occlusion Boundaries in Videos using Geometric Context.** (2<sup>nd</sup> author)  
*IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)* - Jan. '15. [cpl.cc.gatech.edu/projects/temporaloccl/](http://cpl.cc.gatech.edu/projects/temporaloccl/)

**RIGOR: Recycling Inference in Graph Cuts for generating Object Regions.** (1<sup>st</sup> author)  
*IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)* - June '14. [cpl.cc.gatech.edu/projects/RIGOR/](http://cpl.cc.gatech.edu/projects/RIGOR/)

**Video Segmentation by Tracking Many Figure-Ground Segments.** (3<sup>rd</sup> author)  
*International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)* - Dec. '13. [cc.gatech.edu/~fli/SegTrack2/](http://cc.gatech.edu/~fli/SegTrack2/)

**Learning a Confidence Measure for Optical Flow.** (2<sup>nd</sup> author)  
*IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI)* - May '13. [visual.cs.ucl.ac.uk/pubs/flowConfidence](http://visual.cs.ucl.ac.uk/pubs/flowConfidence)

**A Novel Paradigm for Mining Cell Phenotypes in Multi-Tag Bioimages using a Locality Preserving Nonlinear Embedding.** (2<sup>nd</sup> author)  
*International Conference on Neural Information Processing (ICONIP)* - Nov. '12. [ahumayun.com/pubs/cellembbed12](http://ahumayun.com/pubs/cellembbed12)

**RAMTaB: Robust Alignment of Multi-Tag Bioimages.** (2<sup>nd</sup> author)  
*PLoS ONE* - Feb. '12. [journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0030894](http://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0030894)

**A Framework for Molecular Co-Expression Pattern Analysis in Multi-Channel Toponome Fluorescence Images.** (1<sup>st</sup> author)  
*Microscopy Image Analysis with Apps. in Biology (MIAAB)* - Sept. '11. [ahumayun.com/pubs/coexprstis11](http://ahumayun.com/pubs/coexprstis11)

**Towards Protein Network Analysis Using TIS Imaging and Exploratory Data Analysis.** (3<sup>rd</sup> author)  
*Workshop on Computational Systems Biology (WCSB)* - June '11. [ahumayun.com/pubs/tisdata11](http://ahumayun.com/pubs/tisdata11)

PUBLICATIONS (*Contd.*)**Learning to Find Occlusion Regions.** (1<sup>st</sup> author)

*IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)* - June '11. [visual.cs.ucl.ac.uk/pubs/learningOcclusion/](http://visual.cs.ucl.ac.uk/pubs/learningOcclusion/)

**Myosin Motors Drive Long Range Alignment of Actin Filaments.** (3<sup>rd</sup> author)

*Journal of Biological Chemistry* - Feb. '10. [www.jbc.org/content/285/7/4964.abstract](http://www.jbc.org/content/285/7/4964.abstract)

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

**Video Object Detection** at Georgia Institute of Technology (*Ph.D. thesis*)

Currently researching on combining motion and appearance cues for localization in video. The goal is to develop deep architectures for generating proposals amenable for detecting and tracking objects. Tools: Lua Torch, Python, C++

**Incremental Learning Inspired by Developmental Psychology** at Georgia Institute of Technology (*Ph.D. thesis*)

Introduced an incremental learning paradigm where the learner sees a streaming set of concepts without any labeling. This is supported by a novel data-generator which can produce any number of synthetic videos of objects. Tools: PyTorch

**Optimization for Object Segmentation** at Georgia Institute of Technology (as *Ph.D. student*)

Research on combinatoric optimization techniques for object segmentation in videos and images. Tools: MATLAB, C++

**Video Supervision for Generating Video Proposals** at Facebook AI Research

Research on generating video proposals by unsupervised discovery of objects in large scale video datasets. Tools: MATLAB, Python, C++, Javascript, PHP

**Object Proposals for CT Images** at Georgia Institute of Technology (as *Ph.D. student*)

Supervising a project for generating segmentation proposals in 3D CT scans, leading to detection of organs.

**Crowd Tracking with Multiple Depth Sensors** at Microsoft Research

Developed a large area, crowd tracking system by fusing data from multiple depth sensors. Tools: KINECT SDK, C++

**Detecting Occluded Regions** at UCL (*MSc. thesis*)

Worked on a supervised learning method to detect regions of occlusion in a two frame sequence. Tools: MATLAB

**Tracking Techniques using Object's Shape Cues** at LUMS

Researched tracking techniques for accurate generation of trajectories using object's non-rigid shape descriptors, resilient to occlusion. This was partly funded by NSF. ([ahumayun.com/crspd](http://ahumayun.com/crspd)) Tools: MATLAB

**Molecular Pattern Analysis of Cancerous Colon Cells** at The University of Warwick

A multi-disciplinary project for the detection of cancerous tissue. We developed registration and non-linear embedding techniques for analysis of tissues from a multidimensional imaging process. Tools: MATLAB

**Automated Video Recording of Lectures - AVRiL** at LUMS (*senior year project*)

Developed an automated *director* that captures a multi-camera lecture environment. ([avril.sproj.com](http://avril.sproj.com)) Tools: OpenCV

**Improvements in Google's MapReduce Architecture** at LUMS

Research enabling MapReduce to run speculatively on skewed input data. ([tinyurl.com/q3detyg](http://tinyurl.com/q3detyg)) Tools: Python, HADOOP

**Surveillance Video Compression through Foveation** as a *research initiative*

Researched the development of a novel H.264 encoder which assigns more bits to areas where the human visual system is more likely to foveate in surveillance footage. (<http://suraj.lums.edu.pk/~foveation>) Tools: JAVA Media Framework

## SKILLS &amp; INTERESTS

*Proficient in* Python, Lua, C++, MATLAB, Torch, OpenCV | Rock climbing, solving puzzles, and cycling.

## REFERENCES

**James M. Rehg**

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Georgia Institute of Technology

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