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Applied Scientist

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Computer Graphics, multi-target tracking, object recognition, action classification, pose estimation, Deep Learning, discrete and continuous optimization, visual SLAM, modeling, physically-based rendering, image-based rendering

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Applied Scientist

08/2017 - present

Amazon Development Center Germany, Berlin

- Robotic perception and manipulation
- Project lead, research and production delivery

Senior Research Fellow

01/2014 - 07/2017

Australian Centre for Visual Technologies (ACVT), University of Adelaide, Australia

- Supervisor: Prof. Ian Reid
- Muti-target tracking, semantic SLAM, Recurrent Neural Networks
- Affiliation
 - Australian Centre for Robotic Vision (Centre Director: Peter Corke)

Visiting Researcher

05/2016 - 09/2016

Autonomous Intelligent Systems, University of Bonn, Germany

- Supervisor: Prof. Sven Behnke
- Scene understanding and tracking for robotics, APC, Centauro
- Student supervision

Visiting Researcher

06/2015 - 09/2013

Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Group, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

- Supervisor: Prof. Konrad Schindler
- Multi-target tracking using RNNs

Visiting Researcher

07/2013 - 12/2013

Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan

- Supervisor: Prof. Mineichi Kudo
- Multi-target tracking using infrared sensors.

Research Assistant

11/2009 - 10/2013

Visual Inference, TU Darmstadt, Germany (2010 – 2013) Image Understanding, TU Darmstadt, Germany (2009 – 2010)

- Supervisors: Prof. Stefan Roth, Prof. Konrad Schindler
- Multi-target tracking
- Affiliation
 - Research Training Group: Cooperative, Adaptive and Responsive Monitoring in Mixed Mode Environments (Speaker: Prof. Oskar von Stryk)

Student Assistant

05/2006 - 12/2007

Multimedia, Simulation and Virtual Reality Group, University of Bonn, Germany

• Supervisors: Dr. Arno Zinke

EDUCATION

TU Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany

Ph.D. (Dr. Ing), Computer Science

05/2013

- Summa cum Laude, With Distinction
- Thesis Topic: Energy Minimization for Multiple Object Tracking

- Adviser: Prof. Stefan Roth, PhD
- Examiner: Prof. Dr. Konrad Schindler
- Co-Examiner: Dr. Ivan Laptev
- Area of Study: Computer Science

University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany

Diplom (~ M.Sc.), Computer Science

05/2008

- Cum Laude
- Thesis Topic: Ein Ansatz zur bildbasierten Rekonstruktion der Bidirektionalen Kurvenstreufunktion (BCSDF) aus Haarclustern, Grade: 1.0/1.0
- Adviser: Dr. Arno Zinke, Prof. Andreas Weber
- Minor in Philosophy

Polytechnical University of Valencia, Valencia, Spain

Visiting student

06/2007 - 03/2008

REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [1] G. Lin, F. Liu, A. Milan, C. Shen, and I. Reid. RefineNet: Multi-Path Refinement Networks for Dense Prediction *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI)* 41(1), 2019. doi:10.1109/TPAMI.2019.2893630
- [2] M. Schwarz, A. Milan, A. Periyasamy, and S. Behnke. Multi-class RGB-D Object Detection and Semantic Segmentation for Autonomous Manipulation in Clutter. *International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR)* 37(4-5):437-451, June 2017.
- [3] **A. Milan**, K. Schindler, and S. Roth. Multi-target Tracking by Discrete-Continuous Energy Minimization. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI)* 38(10), 2016. doi:10.1109/TPAMI.2015.2505309
- [4] **A. Milan**, S. Roth, and K. Schindler. Continuous Energy Minimization for Multitarget Tracking. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence* (*PAMI*) 36(1), 2014. doi:10.1109/TPAMI.2013.103
- [5] A. Zinke, T. Lay Herrrera, A. Andriyenko, M. Rump, A. Weber, and R. Klein. A Practical Approach for Photometric Acquisition of Hair Color. SIGGRAPH Asia 2009. Dec. 2009, 28:5(165). doi:10.1145/1618452.1618511

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

- [6] U. Iqbal, A. Milan, M. Andriluka, E. Ensafutdniov, L. Pishchulin, J. Gall, B. Schiele. PoseTrack: A Benchmark for Human Pose Estimation and Tracking. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 2018.
- [7] S. H. Rezatofighi, V. Kumar B G, A. Milan, E. Abbasnejad, A. Dick, I. Reid. DeepSet-Net: Predicting Sets with Deep Neural Networks. In *Proceedings of the Sixteenth IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, Venice, Italy, October 2017.
- [8] U. Iqbal, **A. Milan**, J. Gall. Pose-Track: Joint Multi-Person Pose Estimation and Tracking. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Honolulu, Hawaii, July 2017.
- [9] G. Lin, A. Milan, C. Shen, and I. Reid. RefineNet: Multi-Path Refinement Networks for Semantic Segmentation. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Honolulu, Hawaii, July 2017.
- [10] **A. Milan**, H. Rezatofighi, R. Garg, A. Dick, and I. Reid. Data-Driven Approximations to NP-Hard Problems. In *Proceedings of the Thirty-First AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (2017)*, San Francisco, California, 2017. **Oral presentation**.
- [11] **A. Milan**, H. Rezatofighi, A. Dick, K. Schindler and I. Reid. Online Multi-Target Tracking using Recurrent Neural Networks. In *Proceedings of the Thirty-First AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (2017)*, San Francisco, California, 2017.

- [12] M. Schwarz, A. Milan, C. Lenz, A. Muñoz, A. Periyasamy, M. Schreiber, S. Schüller, and S. Behnke. NimbRo Picking: Versatile Part Handling for Warehouse Automation. In *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Singapore, 2017. Finalist of Best Automation Paper Award
- [13] H. Rezatofighi, A. Milan, Z. Zhang, A. Dick, Q. Shi and I. Reid. Joint Probabilistic Matching Using m-Best Solutions. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Las Vegas, Nevada, June 2016. Oral presentation, 3.9% acceptance rate.
- [14] H. Rezatofighi, A. Milan, Z. Zhang, A. Dick, Q. Shi and I. Reid. Joint Probabilistic Data Association Revisited. In *Proceedings of the Fifteenth IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, Santiago, Chile, 2015.
- [15] **A. Milan**, L. Leal-Taixé, K. Schindler, and I. Reid. Joint Tracking and Segmentation of Multiple Targets. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Boston, Massachusetts, June 2015.
- [16] **A. Milan**, S. Roth, K. Schindler, M. Kudo. Privacy Preserving Multi-target Tracking. In *ACCV Workshops: Workshop on Human Identification for Surveillance (HIS)*, Singapore, 2014.
- [17] **A. Milan**, R. Gade, A. Dick, T. B. Moeslund, I. Reid. Improving Global Multi-target Tracking with Local Updates. In *ECCV Workshops: Workshop on Visual Surveillance and Re-Identification*, Zurich, Switzerland, 2014.
- [18] S. Tang, M. Andriluka, A. Milan, K. Schindler, S. Roth and B. Schiele. Learning People Detectors for Tracking in Crowded Scenes. In *Proceedings of the Fourteenth IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, Sydney, Australia, 2013.
- [19] **A. Milan**, K. Schindler, and S. Roth. Detection- and trajectory-level exclusion in multiple object tracking. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Portland, Oregon, June 2013. **Fraunhofer IGD Best Paper Award (Honorable Mention).**
- [20] **A. Milan**, K. Schindler, and S. Roth. Challenges of ground truth evaluation of multi-target tracking. In *Proceedings of the CVPR 2013 Workshop on Ground Truth What is a good dataset?*, Portland, Oregon, June 2013.
- [21] **A. Andriyenko**, K. Schindler, and S. Roth. Discrete-continuous optimization for multi-target tracking. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Providence, Rhode Island, June 2012. **Fraunhofer IGD Best Paper Award.**
- [22] **A. Andriyenko** and K. Schindler. Multi-target tracking by continuous energy minimization. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 2011.
- [23] **A. Andriyenko**, S. Roth, and K. Schindler. An analytical formulation of global occlusion reasoning for multi-target tracking. In *ICCV Workshsops: 11th International IEEE Workshop on Visual Surveillance*, Barcelona, Spain, November 2011.
- [24] **A. Andriyenko** and K. Schindler. Globally optimal multi-target tracking on a hexagonal lattice. In K. Daniilidis, P. Maragos, and N. Paragios, editors, *Proceedings of the 11th European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, volume 6311, pages 466–479, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, 2010. Springer.

OTHER
PUBLICATIONS

- [25] **A. Milan**, L. Leal-Taixé, I. Reid, S. Roth, and K. Schindler MOT16: A Benchmark for Multi-Object Tracking. *arXiv:1603.00831*
- [26] L. Leal-Taixé, A. Milan, I. Reid, S. Roth, and K. Schindler MOTChallenge 2015: Towards a Benchmark for Multi-Target Tracking. *arXiv:1504.01942*
- [27] **Anton Milan**. *Energy Minimization for Multiple Object Tracking*. PhD thesis, TU Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany, 2014.
- [28] Anton Andriyenko. Ein Ansatz zur bildbasierten Rekonstruktion der Bidirektionalen Kurvenstreufunktion (BCSDF) aus Haarclustern (An Approach to Image-Based Reconstruction of the Bidirectional Curve Scattering Distribution Function (BCSDF) From Hair Clusters). Diplom thesis, University of Bonn, Germany, 2008.

INVITED TALKS

Technische Universität München, Mößbauer Symposium	May 10, 2017
Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Brisbane, ACRV	January 20, 2017
CASE 2016, Fort Worth, Texas, AWL Workshop	August 21, 2016
MPI Tübingen, Perceiving Systems	July 22, 2016
Universität Bonn, Institute of Computer Science	January 13, 2016
Universität Würzburg, Institute for Molecular Infection Biology	July 14, 2015
ICCV Workshops, Sydney, RMRC Challenge	December 2, 2013
University of Hokkaido, Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning	August 1, 2013
MPI Saarbrücken, Computer Vision and Multimodal Computing	September 14, 2012
RWTH Aachen, Computer Graphics and Multimedia	August 27, 2009
University of Bonn, Computer Vision Group	August 20, 2009
TU Darmstadt, Image Understanding	August 13, 2009

SELECTED PROJECTS

PoseTrack Challenge

02/2017 - present

• Dataset and benchmark for human pose tracking

Amazon Robotics Challenge 2017

12/2016 - present

- Leading perception development for automated picking and stowing.
- Won 1st prize in the final round task.

SMR Technologies

02/2016 - 12/2016

• Visual quality control for car part manufacturing

Centauro (Horizon 2020)

05/2016 - 09/2016

• Developed perception for a centaur-like robot

Amazon Picking Challenge 2016

05/2016 - 07/2016

- Manipulating a robot arm for picking and stowing objects
- Achieved 2nd and 3rd place (out of 16 participants)

MOTChallenge

06/2014 – present

• Multi-Object Tracking Benchmark

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Adelaide (Singapore Campus), Singapore

02/2017 - 03/2017

Lecturer (with Prof. D. Suter), Artificial Intelligence

- Block lecture (17 hours).
- Preparing and marking tutorials, assignments and exams
- Moderating student forum and course web page.

TU Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany

Teaching Assistant, Computer Vision II

- Winter 2011/2012
- Instructor for toturials.
- Responsible for designing, distributing and grading assignments.
- Moderating student forum and course web page.

Seminar Assistant, Advanced Topics in Computer Vision

- Spring 2012, Spring 2013
- Supervising undergraduate students

Grader for HCS, Computer Graphics, Computer Vision.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Area Chair

• ICCV: 2019,

Workshop Chair

- Multi-Object Tracking: How crowded can it get?, CVPR 2019
- PoseTrack Challenge: Human Pose Estimation and Tracking in the Wild, ICCV 2017
- First Joint BMTT-PETS Workshop on Tracking and Surveillance, CVPR 2017
- 2nd Workshop on Benchmarking Multi-target Tracking: MOTChallenge, ECCV 2016
- 1st Workshop on Benchmarking Multi-target Tracking (BMTT), WACV 2015

Program Committee

• 1st Workshop on Understanding Human Activities: Context and Interactions (HACI 2013), in conjunction with ICCV 2013.

Reviewer

Conferences

- CVPR: 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012
- ICCV: 2017, 2015, 2013
- ECCV: 2016, 2014, 2012
- IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2017
- Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) 2017
- Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) 2016
- Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV) 2016
- Robotics: Science and Systems Conference (RSS) 2016
- Photogrammetric Computer Vision (PCV) 2014

Journals

- IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI)
- International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV)
- The International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR)
- Autonomous Robots (AURO)
- Centauro EU-Project (internal)
- Machine Vision and Applications (MVAP)
- IEEE Signal Processing Letters
- Journal of photogrammetry, remote sensing and geoinformation processing (PFG)

Examiner

• PhD Thesis, Alex Bewely. QUT, Brisbane. 2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

TU Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany

Research Assistant and PhD Student

11/2009 - 10/2013

- Assistance in research and teaching.
- Developed new models and algorithms for multi-object tracking.
- Supervised undergraduate students in engineering and computer science.

Luminova, Melbourne, Australia

3D Shader Developer

10/2008 - 05/2009

- Developed new shaders for architectural visualization.
- Maintained scripts and extended existing shaders for rendering.
- Advising on rendering techniques.

Cocoon by HGC International, Düsseldorf, Germany

Industrial Visualizer

04/2008 - 10/2009

• Modeled and rendered furniture, interiors and exteriors of various hotels, lobbies, restaurants and clubs.

University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany

Student Assistant

05/2006 - 12/2007

- Programmed in C++ and XML
- Developed shaders and implemented a scene parser.
- Modeled hair and other objects with 3D Max.
- Co-authored a research paper.

Primavera Gallery, New York, NY

System Administrator

10/2000 - 01/2001

- Web design and maintenance.
- Photographed objects and edited images.
- System administration.

EXTRACURRICULAR • First Aid Course: HLTAID003, First Aid Officer

2014

- Language Course: Polish, Certificate Unicert I, TU Darmstadt, Germany 2010 to 2013
- CUDA and openACC hands-on tutorial, TU Darmstadt, Germany

2012 2007

• Language Course: Spanish, Level B1, Valencia, Spain • Java Course, VHS, Cologne, Germany

2002

PARTICIPATION

Courses

- Doctoral Consortium at CVPR 2013, Portland, OR, USA
- GKmM Summer School, Robots and Sensor Networks 2012, Ebernburg, Germany
- INRIA VRML Summer School (VRML) 2012, Grenoble, France
- International Computer Vision Summer School (ICVSS) 2011, Sicily, Italy
- International Computer Vision Summer School (ICVSS) 2010, Sicily, Italy

SERVICE

Student Volunteer

- DAGM 2010 (German Association for Pattern Recognition) conference
- CASC 2007, International Workshop on Computer Algebra in Scientific Computing

Contributer

- Multiple Object Tracking Benchmark
- OpenGM
- BPF: Fully Automatic Multi-target Tracking System
- CAVIAR Dataset

HARDWARE AND

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Computer Programming:

• Python, MxNet, MATLAB, C, C++, Lua, ROS, Torch, Java, JavaScript, PHP, Perl, OpenGL, MySQL, MaxScript, Mel Script, MetaSL, HTML, Octave, Assembler, Visual Basic, Unix shell scripting, GNU make

Computer-Aided Design Tools:

• 3D Max, Maya, vRay, mentalray, Blender, AutoCAD, ArchiCAD, SketchUp, mentalmill, Poser, SolidWorks

Video Editing

• Adobe Premiere, After Effects, VirtualDub

Version Control and Software Configuration Management:

• Mercurial, Git, CVS, SVN

Desktop Editing and Productivity Software:

• Microsoft Office, LibreOffice, Photoshop, Vim, Eclipse, TeX (LATeX, BIBTeX, PSTricks), GIMP, InkScape

Operating Systems:

• Microsoft Windows, Linux, OS X, Android, iOS

Hardware:

Desktop computer assembly, soldering

EXPERTISE

Computer Science:

- Computer Vision: Multi-target Tracking, Visual SLAM, Object Detection, Graphical Models, Face Detection, Action Recognition, Deep Learning for Computer Vision
- Computer Graphics: Physically-based Rendering, Shading, Simulation

Mathematics:

Optimization Methods, Continuous Optimization, Discrete Inference, Graphical Models, Combinatorics, Analysis, Applied Mathematics

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- SMR Technologies. Project on visual quality inspection (with I. Reid), AUD 42K
- Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF)
 International Short Visit Grant 2015, CHF 11K.
- Fraunhofer IGD Best Paper Award, 2014 (Honorable Mention)
- IEEE CVPR 2013 Doctoral Consortium Travel Grant.
- INRIA VRML Summer School, Best Poster Award, 2012
- Fraunhofer IGD Best Paper Award, 2012

REFERENCES

Prof. Ian Reid

(e-mail: ian.reid@adelaide.edu.au; phone: +61-8-8313-2135)

- Prof., School of Computer Science, The University of Adelaide
- ♦ University of Adelaide, Ingkarni Wardli, N. Terrace Campus, Adelaide, SA, Australia
- * Prof. Reid is my current supervisor.

Prof. Sven Behnke

(e-mail: behnke@cs.uni-bonn.de; phone: +49 (0) 338 73-4116)

- Prof., Computer Science Department, University of Bonn
- ♦ Universitry of Bonn, Computer Science Institute VI, Friedrich-Ebert-Allee 144, 53113 Bonn, Germany
- * Prof. Behnke was my supervisor during my research visit in 2016.

Prof. Dr. Konrad Schindler

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- Prof., Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, ETH Zurich
- ♦ HIL D 42.3, Wolfgang-Pauli-Str. 15, 8093 Zürich, Switzerland
- * Prof. Schindler was my graduate adviser.

Prof. Stefan Roth, PhD

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- Prof., Department of Computer Science, TU Darmstadt
- ♦ TU Darmstadt, Hochschulstr. 10, 64289 Darmstadt, Germany
- * Prof. Roth was my graduate adviser.