# Akshay Rangesh

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## Summary

I am a Ph.D. candidate with expertise in applied Computer Vision and Machine Learning, specifically in the context of Autonomous Driving and Driver Safety.

#### **EDUCATION**

• University of California, San Diego (UCSD)

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering M.S. in Electrical and Computer Engineering, GPA 3.84/4.00 Jul 2016 – present Sep 2014 – Jun 2016

• National Institute of Technology, Silchar, India (NITS)

B.Tech. in Electronics and Communication Engineering, GPA 8.72/10.00

Jul 2010 – Jun 2014

#### EXPERIENCE

• Researcher, Laboratory for Intelligent & Safe Automobiles (LISA), UC San Diego, CA

Jul 2015 – Present

• Research Assistant, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati, India

Summer, 2013

# Publications (selected)

- HandyNet: A One-stop Solution to Detect, Segment, Localize & Analyze Driver Hands Akshay Rangesh and Mohan M. Trivedi in 3D Humans Workshop, CVPR 2018.
- No Blind Spots: Full-Surround Multi-Object Tracking for Autonomous Vehicles using Cameras & LiDARs

Akshay Rangesh and Mohan M. Trivedi in IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles, 2018.

• How would surround vehicles move? A Unified Framework for Maneuver Classification and Motion Prediction

Nachiket Deo, Akshay Rangesh and Mohan M. Trivedi in IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles, 2018

• Driver Gaze Zone Estimation using Convolutional Neural Networks: A General Framework and Ablative Analysis

Sourabh Vora, Akshay Rangesh and Mohan M. Trivedi in IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles, 2018.

• Pedestrians and their Phones - Detecting Phone-based Activities of Pedestrians for Autonomous Vehicles

Akshay Rangesh, Eshed Ohn-Bar, Kevan Yuen and Mohan M. Trivedi in IEEE ITSC, 2016.

Testbed Design, Calibration & Deployment

• LISA-T 2018

- o Tesla Model S platform
- 11 GoPro Hero 4 Blacks, 1 Kinect v2, 1 Velodyne VLP-16 HiRes LiDAR, 2 VL6180 IR sensors etc.
- Fully calibrated cameras and LiDAR
- Associated publication: Exploring the Situational Awareness of Humans inside Autonomous Vehicles Akshay Rangesh, Nachiket Deo et al., IEEE ITSC 2018.

• LISA-A 2015

- Toyota Avalon platform
- o 8 PointGrey Flea3 RGB cameras, 6 iBeo LiDARS, 4 Delphi SRR2 Radars, 1 Mobileye Driver Assistance System etc.
- Fully calibrated cameras and LiDARs
- Associated publication: A Multimodal, Full-Surround Vehicular Testbed for Naturalistic Studies and Benchmarking: Design, Calibration and Deployment Akshay Rangesh, Kevan Yuen et al., arXiv 2017.

## SKILLS

- Programming Languages: C++, Python, MATLAB, Shell
- Deep Learning Frameworks: Caffe, TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch
- Web Design: HTML, CSS (novice), JavaScript (novice)
- Other Skills: PC speccing & building, Arduino prototyping

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Special Topics in Robotics and Control Systems (Spring 2016 & Spring 2018)
- Introduction to Intelligent Systems: Robotics and Machine Intelligence (Winter 2016)
- Digital Image Processing (Fall 2015 & Fall 2016)
- Physics Laboratory: Electricity and Magnetism, Waves and Optic (Spring 2015)

# Courses (selected)

Computer Vision (I & II) • Artificial Intelligence • Parameter Estimation (I & II) Statistical Learning • Optimization on Manifolds • Mathematics for Robotics Data Mining and Predictive Analytics • Design and Analysis of Algorithms

# Awards & Honors

• Award for academic excellence in B.Tech ECE at NITS (top 5 in a batch of 95 students)

• Best graduating student of the year at O.L.P.S., Mumbai 2010

2014