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OVERVIEW

Research Scientist

A data scientist with a Ph.D. in Computer Science, specializing in Computer Vision, Image Processing, and Machine Learning solutions with a strong mathematical, data management, and analytics background. Published author with over 1000 citations, and technical reviewer for more than nine years. My experience brings invaluable insight into analyzing, processing, and reporting meaningful reports, decisions, and visualizing data. I am a versatile researcher with a broad knowledge of programming languages, databases, and data structures.

Full-Stack Software Developer

Over 15 years of experience in software and web development. A developer who enjoys simplicity in design, creative code, innovation, with an eye for designing and developing Graphical User Interfaces. Encourages collaborative work environments, stimulates group creativity and promotes sharing of knowledge. Specialized in Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Object Oriented Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms, and scripting solutions. Experienced in C++, Python, Java, Web technologies, and SQL databases.

Teaching experience

I have taught courses in computer science, programming languages, and advanced programming concepts for over ten years at the University Level.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2016-Present

Co-Founder, Research & Development, Software Development Engineer

Tempo Analytics, Canada Architect, team technical lead, and full-stack software developer of a server-client application to deliver the speed of service time statistics for the Quick Service Industry. In charge of building Machine Learning and Computer Vision solutions for customer detection, people re-identification, and metric learning. Creating and designing web tools to control the applications nodes features, and display analytics.

2010-2016

Research Assistant, Computer Vision Software Developer

University of Ottawa, Canada Responsible for writing research papers, presenting research findings, and develop computer vision and machine learning software to test and validate the results. Research on shape analysis, object detection and tracking solutions for augmented reality, robot localization, and surveillance applications.

2011-2012

Senior Web Developer

Proximify

Design and development of a javascript engine powering UniWeb and CCV Sync. Proximify is a web-based software for academic institutions and grant agencies. Envisioning and building a research network tool for creating and maintaining your Canadian Common CVs.

2010–2011 **Web Developer**

Dalen Design Development and maintenance of the e-commerce website: Hot Tub Covers Canada.

Processing electronic payments, showcasing products, accessories, descriptions,

managing reviews and comments.

2009–2010 **Software Developer**

Hegyi Design and development of tools for the forest industry. Image analysis of forest stands

Geomatics using high resolution and Landsat imagery (Java, and C++).

2008–2010 Responsible for writing research papers, presenting research findings, and develop

Research Assistant, Computer Vision Software Developer

University of computer vision software to test and validate the results. Research on image processing

Ottawa, techniques to extract relevant features from images.

Canada 2006–2008 Software Developer

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Creating a web crawler and multi-platform tools for automatic clustering of documents

from the web based on their content and metadata (Java, C#, and Python).

2006–2008 Network Administrator, Software Developer

University of IT Team leader for the main building of the University of Havana. Design, development, and validation of network administration tools for user monitoring, domain login, email access, and internet quota management. Provided network support and IT services.

EDUCATION

2010-2016 Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science GPA: 10.0/10.0

University of Thesis: Efficient Feature extraction for Shape Analysis, Object Detection and Tracking

Ottawa, Robust feature representations to aid shape analysis, object detection and tracking.

Canada Supervisors: Prof. Jochen Lang & Prof. Robert Laganière

2009-2010 **Master of Computer Science** GPA: 10.0/10.0

University of Thesis: Towards Feature Detection based on Morphology of Objects on Images

Ottawa, Extracting lines and corners from images based on the morphology of objects.

Canada Supervisor: Prof. Amiya Nayak

2001-2006 **Bachelor of Computer Science** GPA: 4.56/5.0 (magna cum laude)

University of Thesis: Diskless Cluster: Parallel and Distributed Systems

Havana, Cuba Bootable Cluster LiveCD based on Debian GNU/Linux distribution.

Supervisor: Prof. Joel de la Noval

PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 Matej Kristan, Andrés Solís Montero et al. The Visual Object Tracking VOT2016 Challenge Results. The European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) Workshops, Springer, 2016.
- 2016 Matej Kristan, Andrés Solís Montero et al. The Thermal Infrared Visual Object Tracking VOT-TIR2016 Challenge Results. The European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) Workshops, Springer, 2016.
- 2015 Andrés Solís Montero, Jochen Lang, Robert Laganire. Scalable Kernel Correlation Filter With Sparse Feature Integration. The IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV 2015), VOT Challenge, pages 24-31, Dec. 2015.
- 2015 Matej Kristan, Andrés Solís Montero et al. The Visual Object Tracking VOT2015 Challenge Results. The IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) Workshops, pages 1-23, Dec. 2015.
- 2015 Michael Felsberg, Andrés Solís Montero et al. The Thermal Infrared Visual Object Tracking VOT-TIR2015 Challenge Results. The IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) Workshops, pages 76-88, Dec. 2015.
- 2015 Andrés Solís Montero, Jochen Lang, Robert Laganire. A General Framework for Fast 3D Object Detection and Localization Using an Uncalibrated Camera. *IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV 2015)*, pages 884-891, Jan. 2015.
- 2012 Andrés Solís Montero, Hicham Sekkati, Jochen Lang, Robert Laganire, Jeremy James. Framework for Natural Landmark-based Robot Localization. Proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Computer and Robot Vision (CRV), pages 131-138, April 2012.
- 2012 Andrés Solís Montero, Jochen Lang. Skeleton pruning by contour approximation and the integer medial axis transform. *Computers & Graphics*, 36(5), pages 477-487, March 2012.
- 2010 Milos Stojmenovic, Andres Solis Montero, Amiya Nayak. Colour and texture based pyramidal image segmentation. *IEEE International Conference on Audio Language and Image Processing (ICALIP)*, pages 778-786, Nov. 2010.
- 2010 Andres Solis Montero, Milos Stojmenovic, Amiya Nayak. Robust detection of corners and corner-line links in images. *IEEE 10th International Conference on Computer and Information Technology (CIT)*, pages 495-502, Jun. 2010.
- 2010 Milos Stojmenovic, Andres Solis Montero, Amiya Nayak. Co-parent selection for fast region merging in pyramidal image segmentation. *IEEE 2nd International Conference* on Image Processing Theory Tools and Applications (IPTA), pages 243-248, July 2010.
- 2009 Andres Solis Montero, Amiya Nayak, Milos Stojmenovic, Nejib Zaguia. Robust Line Extraction Based on Repeated Segment Directions on Image Contours. IEEE Symposium: Computational Intelligence for Security and Defence Applications (CISDA), pages 1-7, July 2009.
- 2009 Milos Stojmenovic, Andres Solis Montero, Amiya Nayak. Link Shifting Based Pyramid Segmentation for Elongated Regions. Signal Processing, Image Processing and Pattern Recognition, Springer Berlin Heidelberg, pages 141-152, 2009.

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

Coursera Deep Learning Specialization Cred ID: G8YPRSBRUR4X
2019 Structuring Machine Learning Projects Cred ID: 5D9RY2485Z4G
Sequence Models Cred ID: GCJHGKVL6ZLL
Convolutional Neural Networks Cred ID: NQNLA6AYQ7NM
Neural Networks and Deep Learning Cred ID: XJPXEXXMSB8K

PATTENTS

2017 Tempo Analytics System and method for gathering data related to quality of service in a customer service environment. CA 3014365 — PCT/CA2017/050849 — WO2019/010557.

Hyperparameter tuning, Regularization and Optimization Cred ID: XFSWVLMMR4KM

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2009 – 2015	Programming Paradigms. (CSI2120),	Winter 20{15 11}.
University of Ottawa	Operative Systems (CSI 3131),	Summer 2015.
Ottawa		

Advanced Programming Concepts in C++ $\{11\}$ (CSI 2372). Fall $20\{14 \mid 12 \mid 10\}$.

Introduction to Computing I & II (ITI $11\{20 \mid 21\}$ - Python), Fall 2015. Introduction to Computing I & II (ITI $11\{20 \mid 21\}$ - Java), Winter $20\{14 \mid 13\}$.

Computing Concepts for Business (CSI1306). Fall 2009.

2006 – 2008 Network Administration in GNU/Linux, Fall 200{7 | 8}

University of Havana Object Oriented Programming with Java and C#, Summer $200\{8 \mid 7\}$.

SQL and Relational Database Model Concepts, Fall 2005

SKILLS & EXPERTISE

Expertise Computer Vision · Image Processing · Machine Learning · Data Structure & Algorithms · Object-Oriented Programming · RDMS (i.e., MSQL, MySQL, Postgres, and SQLite) · Networking · Web Development/Design · e-Commerce · GIS · MVC

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Languages
Software
Development
Tools

OpenCV · Visual Studio · Xcode · Git · SVN · make · jQuery · LATEX · Adobe
Photoshop · Adobe Illustrator · Adobe Lightroom · Adobe Dreamweaver · OpenOffice · Microsoft Office Tools

HONORS & AWARDS

- Professional Diploma in Photography (Shawacademy EQF Level 5). 2018
- NSERC Engage Grant Program with Ross Video. 2016
- 2015 Best real-time tracking method VOT Challenge 2015, Chile
- NSERC Engage Grant Program with Thales Canada. 2015
- 2014 NSERC Engage Grant Program with You.i labs.
- NSERC Engage Grant Program with Cohort Systems Inc. 2012
- 2011 NSERC CRD Grant with Pulse Microsystems Ltd.
- International Admission Scholarship from University of Ottawa. 2010
- 2010 Ontario Centres of Excellence Grant with Hegyi Geomatics International Inc. Project: Green Earth (GIS).
- Excellence Scholarship from University of Ottawa. 2009
- 2009 Ontario Centres of Excellence Grant with Hegyi Geomatics International Inc. Project: Green Earth (GIS).
- 2009 MITACS Accelerate Internship Program for graduate and postdoctoral fellows. Project: Advanced Tools for Forest Inventory and Management.
- 2006 Magma cum laude graduate as Bachelor in Computer Science

TECHNICAL REVIEWS - JOURNALS AND CONFERENCES

IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation & Measurement. TIM 20{16 | 17 | 18}.

IEEE Transactions on Image Processing. TIP 2015.

IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo. ICME 2013.

IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation. ICRA 2013.

IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo. ICME 2012.

IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo. ICME 2011.

7th IEEE International Conference on Mobile Ad-hoc and Sensor Systems. MASS 2010.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ENGLISH: Fluent Languages

SPANISH: Native

Reliability: expiring 2027 · Secret: expiring 2028 Security

Clearance

ACM member · IEEE member · International High IQ Society member Affiliations

Interests &

Hobbies

Photography (IG: @asolism) · Motorcycle Riding · Dancing · Music · Soccer · Volleyball · Skating · Baseball · Cross-country skiing · Discovering new places

and restaurants