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Education

Sep '13 – Present Ph.D. Student in Computer Science
California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, USA

Oct '10 – Dec '12 Master of Science in Computer Science Engineering cum laude
University of Siena, Siena, Italy

Sep '07 – Oct '10 Bachelor of Science in Computer Science Engineering cum laude
University of Siena, Siena, Italy

Research Experience

Sep '13 – Present Research Assistant – Computational Vision Lab, Caltech
 Jul '10 – Dec '12 Research Assistant – Artificial Intelligence Research Laboratory, University of Siena

Teaching Experience

Jul '18 – Sep '18 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Tutor. Mentor a student through the process of research as a creative intellectual activity. Project Title: "Monocular 3D Human Pose Estimation from Weakly Supervised Data."

Jul '15 – Sep '15 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Tutor. Mentor a student through the process of research as a creative intellectual activity. Project Title: "Learning a Rotation Invariant Low Rank Basis for Pose Estimation."

Sep '14 – Dec '14 CS 187: Neural Computation, Instructor: Professor Perona, Role: Teaching Assistant
This course investigates models of neural computation and their neurological substrate. Neurobiology is used as a motivating factor to introduce relevant algorithms, such as neural networks, population coding, spike-based computing, etc.

Publications

Sep '18 It's all Relative: Monocular 3D Human Pose Estimation from Weakly Supervised Data.

Ronchi, Mac Aodha, Eng, Perona. Proceedings of the British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC 2018). DOI: N/A

Oct '17 Benchmarking and Error Diagnosis in Multi-Instance Pose Estimation. Ronchi, Perona. Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV 2017). DOI: 10.1109/ICCV.2017.48

Dec '16 A Rotation Invariant Latent Factor Model for Moveme Discovery from Static Poses. Ronchi, Kim, Yue. Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM 2016). DOI: 10.1109/ICDM.2016.0156

- Sep '15 Describing Common Human Visual Actions in Images. Ronchi, Perona. Proceedings of the British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC 2015). DOI: 10.5244/C.29.52
- Sep '14 Distance Estimation of an Unknown Person from a Portrait. Burgos-Artizzu, Ronchi, Perona. Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV 2014). DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-10590-1_21
- Dec '12 An Information Theoretic Feature Learning Approach to Visual Recognition. Ronchi, Melacci, Lippi, Maggini, Gori. Master Thesis Dissertation, Siena, 2012. DOI: N/A
- Oct '10 Image Steganalysis based on Machine Learning Techniques. Ronchi, Diligenti. Bachelor Thesis Dissertation, Siena, 2010. DOI: N/A

Workshops, Talks & Posters

- Sep '18 Organizer of the MS COCO Object Detection and Segmentation, and Pose Estimation Oct '17 Challenges at the European and International Conferences on Computer Vision
- Oct '16 (ECCV 2016, ICCV 2017, ECCV 2018)
- Dec '15 Organizer of the MS COCO Object Detection and Segmentation Challenges at the International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV 2015)
- Jun '15 Organizer of the MS COCO Captioning Challenge at the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2015)
- Jul '14 Student at the International Computer Vision Summer School
- Sep '12 A Computer Vision system for the morphological classification of oligodendrocytes in the central nervous system. Ronchi, Amadio, Volontè, Scarselli, Bianchini. First Conference of the Tuscany Bioinformatics Society, Siena
- Jul '11 Mental State Classification based on EMOTIV Epoch Headset. Ronchi, Alocci, Gori. University of Trento, Trento

Honors & Awards

- Mar '15 Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship 2015 Finalist, "Efficient Inference of Agent-Object Interactions from Images", San Diego, CA, USA
- Dec '12 Best Computer Science Graduating Student 2011-12, University of Siena, Siena, Italy

Programming Skills

Research Python (main), MATLAB, C, C++

Deep Learning Pytorch (main), Tensorflow

Databases Amazon Mechanical Turk Development, MongoDB

Front-end HTML, JavaScript

Mobile Android

Other ROS

Languages

English and Italian - Mother Tongue Proficiency

On the Side

Sep '18 California Institute of Technology Convocation, Invited Speaker (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Bsp7d3nt5Y)
 Fall '18 ,'19 Instructor of the Improvisation for Scientists (PA040) class at the California Institute of Technology
 Fall '17 Founder of the Improv group "IMprovisation PLayers at the California Institute of Technology" (IMPLiCIT)
 Summer '10, '11 Math and Physics Volunteer Teacher for underprivileged children at the Amici della Costa D'Avorio NPO.

References

References and code available upon request.